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201 East 69th Street
New York 21, New York

July 28, 1958

[redacted] Agent b6 b7C
New York Telephone Company
140 West Street
New York 7, New York

Dear [redacted]

In connection with an official investigation being conducted by this office, it is requested that you furnish listings for the following telephone numbers:

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Your personal attention in protecting the confidential nature of our inquiry in this matter is greatly appreciated and I wish to express my thanks for your cooperation.

Very truly yours,

H. G. Foster

H. G. FOSTER
Special Agent in Charge

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: SAC, NEW YORK (100-135320) DATE: 7/23/58

FROM: SA ROBERT M. JACKSON (7-3)

SUBJECT: UNITED INDEPENDENT SOCIALIST
ELECTION CONFERENCE
IS - MISC.

Source [redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past.

Date of Activity 6/14/58

Date Received 6/18/58

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The source furnished, as indicated above, a hand-written report which reads as follows:

Arrived 118 West 57th St. "Hotel Great Northern" 2 PM - Left 6:30 PM. June 14, 1958.

United Independent Socialist Conference

Purpose: "Adopting a platform and designating candidates for such offices in the 1958 elections."

Speakers:

Russell Jones: (Black hair, 5 ft, 10 ins., 25-30 yrs; mole on-left cheek.) As a Socialist I want to see a social change - We must do this with force - We want to get every soap box in New York City - We have to work for it and work hard.

Bert Deck: (5 ft. 5 ins; 25-30 yrs. YSA) For us to put forward less than a full slate is wrong - I do not believe that we can come close to winning, but this conference represents a great turn which will bring Socialism back to the workers.

Irwin Edelman: (5 ft. 8 ins; 50-55 yrs. gray hair - bald) I think as a delegate we should be consulted as to the slate that is presented.

Jack Simon: (50 yrs; Bald;-5 ft. 10 ins) This is a movement of a number of tendencies - It is a Socialist Movement and it may start a new Party - We oppose the Capitalist system.

Maurice Chablis: (5 ft. 10 ins; 50-55 yrs; Blonde hair partly gray; CP) I do not think we need a third party - I do not think the SP is ready for Unity - I am for a single candidate and he will get a bigger campaign.

Daniel Robinson: (5 ft. 10 ins; 40-45 yrs; Brown hair; Foreign Accent; CP) We were told not to isolate ourselves from the Labor Party, we can not - We have got to bring our ideas to the public.

Murray Weiss: (45-50 yrs; Brown hair; 5 ft. 8 ins; glasses.) Their are two objectives, Socialist Unity and Action - The Socialist must get out and fight for Socialism - Fight for Negro - White relations - This resolution calls for a full Socialist ticket - We must fight for it - We can take it to the Negro people in Harlem and fight through out the United States.

Alvin Burman: (5 ft; Black hair; 30 yrs.) In the name of Politics, lets say what we mean - We have an opportunity and let us use it - We are opposed to the Capitalist and for the first time the Workers will vote for Socialism.

George Yebbit: To present a single candidate is stupid - To meet the people we have to unite and that is with a full slate.

Robert Clayborn: (glasses, 5 ft. 10 ins) We run a slate or run none - If the Labor Party is opposed to it we can make a case, but running a single candidate is silly.

Lillian Kisson: (5 ft; 5 ins) We have one job and that is, to present Socialism to the people of New York - We must put up a full slate.

Douglas Gordon: (glasses; 5 ft. 10 ins) As Marxist and Socialist we do not dream - We must fight and show the World that Capitalism will lad the World to War - Let us put up a slate and work for its victory.

Maurice Gold: (Partly gray; 5 ft. 10 ins. 45-50 yrs) This will be the beginning of a true Unity and not a fancy unity - We have got to work for it and it is our only hope.

Louis Wheaton: (Negro; 25-30 yrs. 5 ft. 8 ins.) Unity of ideas and action is important - The forces of reaction have held us apart for too long - We can have as many candidates as you like, but unless we agree to what we want we will fail - We must learn to work together just as much as we have learnt to stay apart - We must unite for the good of all.

Mrs. Babette Jones: (5 ft. 5 ins; glasses; Red hair) Our first step is to find unity - We must unite all left forces - To succeed we must have all forces.

Irvin Biner: (glasses; Partly bald; Red Hair; 40-45 yrs) Our time is limited, we have got to decide now on Unity - The Communist Party will not change their ideas and we must decide now.

Annette Rubinstein; (5 ft. 5 ins; Gray hair; large.) I do think that if we get a full slate it may still be possible to get unity on one candidate from other groups.

Frank Halsted: (5 ft. 11 ins; glasses; 40 yrs) I think the people will listin to us and we have to work for it.

Charles Headley: (55-60; hearing aid; 5 ft. 8 ins) Our issues must be concrete and we must convince them of the Capitalist system which will lead to total destruction - Stop Nuclear War and give us more jobs.

Mr. Burman: (5 ft. 8 ins; 55 yrs. Gray; glasses) Are we going to use the same trick that the Communist Party used - If we consider ourselves Socialist then what is the question of 1 or 5 candidates - We must put out a ticket as Socialist and that is all.

Benjamin Goshall: (Member of amalgamated garment Workers Union; 55-60 yrs; Gray hair; glasses) If we want to win something for the Workers we should have a full ticket.

Mr. Green: (20-25 yrs. glasses; 5 ft. 8 ins; Brown hair) As Socialist let us act as Socialist - We are sick of the Democratic and Republican Parties.

Jack Irwin: (40-45 yrs. We live in a phoney system. That is Capitalism and we want a change - The Workers are tired of it and only the Socialist can change it.

Harry Ring: (SWP; glasses; Partly Bald; 45-50 yrs) I say, let us examine our position - Let us vote for all Socialist candidates.

David Rosen (5 ft. 8 ins; 50-55 yrs) We are trying to form unity and still leaving out the Communist Party is wrong - Benjamin Davis said that the Communist Party is working for unity and we will be wrong to leave them out - We should be able to achieve this unity.

Elinor Ferry Kirstein: (Red Hair; 5 ft. 7 ins; 30-35 yrs) In my life time on the Left wing we have always had the experience of not uniting - We must decide on a Socialist Labor Party ticket and all those who disagree we cannot help - I have 25 years of work here and who are not with us its too bad.

William Albertson: (CP; Hair groomed back; 40-45 yrs; glasses; 5 ft. 7 ins) This morning Ben Davis said wewere working for Unity - We are attracted by others - We understand an effort is being made for unity for all - If we have differences it can be solved, but we must have unity.

Anesto Martinez: (50-55 yrs; Partly bald; Puerto-Rican; glasses 5 ft. 8 ins) I am doubtful of this conference - We must unite for the good of all, including the minority groups - The disagreement here to-day is just an example of how hard it is to unite - However, I say that Socialism will come inspite of you.

Jean Rubinstein: (CP, glasses; 73 yrs; gray hair; 5 ft. 8 in) We must have unity, However, if anyone tries to disorganize us they must be left out.

Hedda Marcowitz: (Blonde hair; 5 ft. 7 ins; 25-30 yrs) We want a full slate - The Communist Party through Ben Davis did not want a full slate and now we have a big discussion - We want a full slate and we must get it with or without the Communist Party.

Hansen: (Glasses; 5 ft. 10 ins; 35-40 yrs. Blonde hair; California) We can do all we want without the Communist Party - Let us go ahead with our plan of a full slate.

John Gray: (Short hair cut; 5 ft. 7 ins; 25-30 yrs) Who walks out let them walk out, but we must unite to achieve our goal.

Zazlo: (5 ft. 7 ins; Black hair; 35-40 yrs) We were united until to-day - Now we have the Communist Party not wanting to go along and this has caused much dissatisfaction - We must decide now to go along without them.

Levine: (Black hair; 5 ft. 10 ins; 25-30 yrs.) I do nt believe that their is one person here who does not want unity - We have got to have all forces to succeed - We must have a peace movement or the country may lead to War.

Attendance: Roughly over five hundred.

Among others present: Steve Grattan; Bob Burke; Sam Taylor; [redacted] Harry Mann; James Nicolas; Sidney J. Gluck; Daniel Roberts; Ethel Brooks; George Weisman; Sylvia Blecker; Nat Wienstein; Lou Becker; [redacted] [redacted] b6 b7C

Remarks: During the morning session Ben Davis representing the Communist Party opposed the idea of a full slate and in turn suggested one candidate to run under a Liberal Ticket - The other groups opposed this idea. After a heated discussion

the Communist threatened to walk out - During the afternoon session the other groups made an amendment to their previous resolution advising their committee to carry on talks with the Communist Party so as to seek agreement whereby enabling them to join. Later it was put to a vote and the amendment was defeated by 151 votes to 81.

STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, NEW YORK

DATE: 7/29/58

FROM : ASAC W. G. SIMON

SUBJECT: CP USA
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At 10:30 A.M., 7/29/58, Mr. Edward Mowrey of the Newark Star Ledger, called and stated he would like to be advised of the status of efforts of the Department of Justice to have the Communist Party register with the Department of Subversive Organizations. He stated the SACB has twice recommended that they be made to register and he understands the matter has been remanded for further consideration by the courts.

Mr. Mowrey was referred to the USA's Office.

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201 East 69th Street
New York 21, New York
August 4, 1958

Mr. [redacted] Agent
New York Telephone Company
140 West Street
New York 7, New York

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Dear [redacted]

In connection with an official investigation being conducted by this office, it is requested that you furnish listings for the following telephone numbers:

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Your personal attention in protecting the confidential nature of our inquiry in this matter is greatly appreciated and I wish to express my thanks for your cooperation.

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Very truly yours,

H. G. Foster

H. G. FOSTER
Special Agent in Charge

100-4931- 12047

OFFICE MEMORANDUM · UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-428575) DATE: 7/28/58

FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (100-135320)

SUBJECT: UNITED INDEPENDENT SOCIALIST ELECTORAL CONFERENCE
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Re NY airtel dated 6/16/58.

Source: [redacted]

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Reliability: Who has furnished reliable information in the past.

Information Furnished: United Election Conference sessions held 6/13 & 14/58.

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[redacted] furnished a written report dated 6/15/58, which covered the sessions of the United Independent Socialist Electoral Conference (UISEC) held June 13 and 14, 1958. A summary of the proceedings at this convention as furnished by another informant was set forth in re airtel. b6 b7C b7D

Attached to the informant's written report was a mimeographed handout welcoming delegates to the UISEC which set forth that since the idea of the conference took shape in January differences had dropped away in the common search for progressive and socialist alternatives to the "big-party political monopoly". It was further stated that if a new political movement came out of the conference it would be exciting and all-absorbing but would not take place without the pangs of struggle. The welcome to the delegates was signed by the Administrative Committee which was listed as follows:

[redacted] and JOHN T. MC MANUS, Co-Chairman.

MORRIS GOLDIN, Chairman, Platform Committee.

MURRY WEISS, Chairman, Finance Committee.

[redacted] Administrative Secretary.

GEORGE STRYKER, Treasurer.

The above described material also set forth a tentative conference schedule, covering the period June 13, 14, and 15, 1958.

The report of [redacted] covered sessions of the UISEC which were held June 13 and 14th at the Great Northern Hotel in NYC. All individuals designated to receive a copy of instant letter were set forth in the informant's report as being present at the above described function. In instances where the full name of an individual was not known to the informant or where a name was misspelled in his report,

identification has been made in every instance where the corresponding full name is set forth in listing of dissemination copies through display of photos to the informant or description furnished by him. It is noted that due to the large number of persons in attendance at the UISEC, some of whom were previously unknown to [redacted] several names were rendered phonetically by the informant and full identification is not possible at this time. In regard to one of the individuals present at the UISEC, ANN ZUCKOFF, the informant's report reflects that ZUCKOFF was heard to remark that she was not working at present. b6 b7C b7D

It should be noted that [redacted] had no opportunity between the ending of the first session of the UISEC late on 6/13/58, and the session beginning the morning of 6/14/58, to prepare a separate report. [redacted] stated on 6/23/58, in this regard, that upon reviewing the extensive list of individuals identified in his single report as being present at the conference it was the informant's belief that all were present on both 6/13/58 and 6/14/58.

Concerning the proceedings of the UISEC, the report of [redacted] set forth the following:

At 8:30 P.M., 6/13/58, [redacted] as Chairman welcomed everyone to the UISEC. This was followed by remarks by members of the Presiding Committee as follows:

DICK DE HAAN said that youth had the most to gain from a just world and were turning to radical groups for their solutions.

[redacted] stated that among the audience there were old and new friends and some old enemies. She said it was necessary to have socialist unity, independent political action and an independent full electoral ticket.

BENJAMIN DAVIS said that a tremendous issue was faced, that of peace, civil rights, civil liberties, and the economic recession. He also said that it was necessary to fight for peaceful co-existence and that as a small group it was necessary to have the mass support of the working class, the Negroes and Puerto Ricans. DAVIS also remarked that "we" had many differences with the sponsors of the UISEC in that "we" wanted only a single candidate.

JOYCE COWLEY spoke next stating that the UISEC was the realization of a former hope. She said that there was really only one party system because the Democrats and Republicans had no difference in their platforms.

Following this a song was rendered by [redacted] [redacted] b6 b7C b7D

SIDNEY J. GLUCK, identified by [redacted] as a former teacher at the Jefferson School, spoke next saying that the world demanded that the United States keep up with trends in the rest of the world. He said that other countries were finding socialism in their own way and the United States would have to do the same. He expressed his pride at being a part of the world united socialist front and said the time had come when the CP, SWP, and other groups could sit down in the same room without calling each other names. He said it was necessary to have a coalition among socialists.

Following this, JOHN T. MC MANUS introduced the next speaker, ANNETTE RUBENSTEIN. Displaying what the informant regarded as an excellent sense of humor, RUBENSTEIN stated that she had just returned from a (Congressional) hearing and commented that Congressman WALTER had looked sick. RUBENSTEIN told an Indian tale of CARL SANDBURG'S regarding Indians waiting for the top of pine trees to be hit by the sun. When this happened they were to shout but no shout was ever heard because each was waiting for the other to shout first. RUBENSTEIN warned that this must not happen to "us".

VINCENT HALLINAN then spoke, describing the election campaign in California where HOLLAND ROBERTS ran as a socialist. He said that the efforts "we" were going to make in New York were parallel to those in California. HALLINAN stressed the need of putting socialism in the thinking and mainstream of the working class. He commented that HOLLAND ROBERTS received the open endorsement of many unions and that California was expecting New York to go farther than they had. HALLINAN claimed that if $5,000.00 and 2000 more workers were available, ROBERTS might have won the California campaign. He stated further that there was no difference between the Democratic and Republican parties considering the juggling of candidates between them. He recommended that "we" test our strength and find out where "we" stand.

HALLINAN also objected to the activities of the CP in California who, he said, did not fully cooperate in the ROBERTS campaign. He asked if the CP had a secret understanding with the Democratic Party. HALLINAN further stated that whether the CP gave any cooperation or not the UISEC would proceed without them.

After these remarks by HALLINAN, BEN DAVIS spoke, saying that the CP had been slandered and demanded an apology. The apology was tendered by the Presiding Committee of the UISEC. In this regard MURRY WEISS expressed his view that although he was not against the apology he thought that HALLINAN had the right to express his opinion.

In the sessions of the UISEC held on Saturday, 6/14/58, the report of [redacted] set forth the following in regard to the proceedings: b6 b7C b7D

ANNETTE RUBENSTEIN was Chairman the first part of the day and later [redacted] took over.

JOHN T. MC MANUS read the draft resolution of the Presiding Committee, a copy of which the informant attached to his report. This set forth that because the "machine political parties" had not offered alternatives leading to peace, economic security, and full rights and freedoms, the conference would offer the people such alternatives through candidates on the ballot in the electoral process. The resolution set forth that there be designated united independent socialist candidates for Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Attorney General, Comptroller, and United States Senator in the 1958 elections (in New York State).

Following the reading of the resolution by MC MANUS, BEN DAVIS gave a minority report saying that he was happy to participate in socialist work but that a full socialist ticket would be a narrow sectarian move. He expressed a desire to debate this issue openly in the hope that some compromise could be found. He recommended that the conference be devoted to Negro, Puerto Rican, and economic issues and said that endorsing a candidate for Governor could be harmful to labor and minority groups. DAVIS also said that the slanders of VINCENT HALLINAN and the remarks of MURRY WEISS were not correct.

Following this, ANNETTE RUBENSTEIN said that the apology offered to DAVIS had been grudgingly accepted and that it was MURRY WEISS who has suggested that the apology be extended to DAVIS and the CP.

Following this, speakers from the audience were allowed five minutes to comment on the resolution proposed by the Presiding Committee. (It is in this group of individuals that the informant necessarily experienced difficulty in accurately setting forth the full name of speakers. Where clarifying information is known based on public accounts of the proceedings or reports of other informants, this has been set forth in parentheses.)

(HEDDA) MARKOWITZ - spoke against working with the Democratic Party.

(JOE) PECK - read a proposal of MAX BEDACHT.

RICHARD DE HAAN - absolutely opposed to CP recommendation that support be given the Democratic Party.

ROBERT CLAIBORNE - spoke against BEN DAVIS saying that DAVIS was afraid the conference would lead to a socialist party and asking what was bad about that.

JEAN RUBENSTEIN, mother of ANNETTE RUBENSTEIN, - who spoke in favor of a full slate of candidates.

HARRY MANN - favored a position of growing influence and not the rigid position of JOHN MC MANUS.

HARRY RING - praised the resolution of the Presiding Committee for a full socialist ticket saying "We are socialists and proud of it".

ELINOR FERRY - stated that she had been working for the Democratic Party but from now on the envelopes she stuffs will carry a socialist message in support of a full electoral slate.

R. STRASSBURGER - favored a full ticket and recommended isolation from labor leaders.

AL LEVIN from Brooklyn, - favored a full slate of candidates.

JAMES PARKER - favored a Congressman for a candidate.

SAM NESIN - favored a single candidate.

IRVING BEININ - said that rank and file could not be reached by voting for democrats.

MYRA TANNER WEISS - regreted that BEN DAVIS was not willing to discuss issues and said that he had not been slandered. She further stated that "we" would not work with the Democratic Party.

SIDNEY GLUCK - recommended compromising on the issue of a full slate as against one candidate.

JOHN GRAVE - said that the next step would be a labor party and it was important to decide whether or not "we" have a Governor for candidate.

G. BULDESCEREY - who spoke with a thick Italian accent, was in favor of peace.

AL JENKINS - who was identified as a member of a progressive Jewish group, favored a full slate.

IRWIN ADELMAN - spoke for a full slate.

DAVIS SOLOMON - spoke against a full slate.

VICTOR ROSSE - said there should be a candidate for Governor and there should be no limit as to one or five candidates.

ESTHER CAROL - described as a member of the Dressmakers Union, said that the trade union movement was important and a way should be found of speaking to the worker next to "us".

BELLA (LNU) - also a member of the Dressmakers Union, said that a way should be found to bring the message to the workers.

SYLVIA PRUE - said there was confusion and dishonesty on both sides.

BERNARD ABES - recommended agreement on a candidate for Senator.

TOM KERRY - spoke favoring more than one candidate and said that at the very least there should be a contest for Governor. He said that if "we" get on the ballot and obtain a certain number of votes there would no longer have to be the leg work of collecting signatures. KERRY said he was opposed to supporting HARRIMAN or any other Democrat. Much applause followed his speech.

ROSS JONES - spoke favoring more than one candidate.

BERT DECK - favored more than one candidate and said that in no other gathering would socialists be able to present their point of view.

IRWIN ADELMAN - said that the Presiding Committee was responsible for the apology to BEN DAVIS, implying that he did not wish to be considered as one of those who apologized.

JACK DALE - favored a full slate.

MORRIS SHAPPES - favored a single candidate on a platform that would provide opposition to the SWP and the CP.

DANIEL ROBERTS - said that "we" were not isolating ourselves from labor but would be with the workers for a full slate of candidates.

NAT WEINSTEIN stated that he objected to scabbing in politics as well as anywhere else and favored a full slate.

MURRY WEISS stated there were two objectives at the conference, one being for socialist unity and the other a fight for socialism on issues that were perplexing the working class. He said that "we" were not sectarian or isolationists and had a program which would appeal to the Negroes in Harlem. He favored a full slate.

ALVIN BERMAN - favored a full socialist program.

BEA KAZENOFF - identified as being from a Bronx cultural group, favored one or two candidates.

GEORGE YEVER and ROBERT CLAIBORNE - both spoke favoring a full slate.

SHAPIES (MORRIS U. SCHAPPES) - said the issue should not be the number of candidates but one candidate who would offer peaceful co-existence.

LILLIAN KEIZEL - described the central job as selling socialism to the workers in New York State and favored a full slate of candidates.

DOUGLAS GORDON - favored a full slate and said that "we" have been falsely accused of being dreamers. He said that "we" would struggle now as in the past and it would be a socialist struggle.

JOHN TABOR and FRED HALSTEAD - spoke favoring a full slate of candidates.

CHARLES HENLEY - said there was too much talk on the number of candidates and asked what the issues were. He was not for a full slate.

(FNU) EARLMAN - stated "we" should run as many candidates as "we" could afford.

BENNY GOSHALL - favored a full ticket and demanded a fight against labor Bureaucrats.

BRUCE GREEN - stated "we" are socialists and proud of it.

HARRY RING - favored five socialist candidates and said "we" would win workers to socialism if "we" work throughout the year.

HENRY ABRAMS - stated that the purpose of the UISEC was unity and the number of candidates had nothing to do with the case. He said he was not in favor of supporing the Democratic Party and spoke in favor of peace and civil liberties and against recession.

MURRY WEISS - stated that MORRIS GOLDIN wanted an amendment to the resolution but that what "we" wanted to accomplish in the campaign was a united left.

BETTE (BABETTE) JONES, HENRY ABRAMS and SIDNEY GLUCK - offered an amendment to the resolution which omitted specifying the exact posts for which candidates should be entered substituting instead "top state posts".

MURRY WEISS, MURIEL MC AVOY, ANNETTE RUBENSTEIN, (GEORGE) STRYKER, RICHARD DE HAAN and JOHN MC MANUS - listed their opposition to the amendment.

MURRY WEISS - said that MORRIS GOLDIN had said that he wanted to evaluate the conference in view of the walkout of the CP leaders from the UISEC. He said this showed the one sided character of GOLDIN who was for a single candidate. WEISS stated a maximum effect would be achieved by voting for the resolution as it stood.

LOUIS WHEETON (WHEATON) - said that the number of candidates was immaterial and that unity was more important.

RICHARD DE HAAN - urged a vote on the original resolution.

BABETTE JONES - supported the amendment.

ERWIN BRIDER (IRVING BEININ) - spoke favoring the resolution, saying the CP had not budged.

ROBERT CLAIBORNE - identified as an ALP member, said he was neutral.

ANNETTE RUBENSTEIN - said she was aginast the amendment because it served a splitting purpose. She said it was quite possible that if a full slate was run the CP could still endorse one candidate.

DAVID ROSEN - spoke favoring the amendment to the resolution but said to be not a CP member.

ELINOR FERRY - recommended withdrawal of the amendment and a vote on the resolution.

WILLIAM ALBERSON - favored the amendment.

SYLVIA BLECKER - previously known to the informant only by the name of SYLVIA STEIN, said that the conference was a step forward. She further stated she was for scientific socialism and that the class struggle was a socialist campaign. There was much applause following her remarks.

IRWIN ADELMAN - advocated letting the Communists walk out.

JEAN RUBENSTEIN - stated she was a Communist and was against the amendment.

HEDDA MARKOWITZ - said she resented being called an SWP member when she was an independent. She explained that there was nothing wrong with being an SWP member but she wanted to be known as an independent.

JOE HANSEN - spoke against the amendment saying its purpose was to defer the power of the UISEC to a smaller body.

(FNU) DRAKE - spoke favoring the amendment saying that if a campaign didn't come out of the conference, the SWP would run candidates on its own.

MILTON ZASLOW - stated that to run for Governor meant contesting HARRIMAN and getting on the ballot.

(AL) LEVIN - said that problems were more difficult than imagined.

SIDNEY GLUCK - favored the amendment on the grounds that the CP showed signs of motion for the conference and was not necessarily against it. He further stated he favored the amendment because it showed more patience. He commented that the CP would not like it if the SWP got on the ballot.

The report of [redacted] set forth that following the extended discussion period the vote on the resolution which the CP delegation wanted to amend, was carried without the amendment by a vote of 151 to 84. b7D

[redacted] extimated the attendance at the conference at approximately 400 individuals. The report further set forth that the SWP was there in full strength with almost the entire membership of the New York Local augmented by SWP members from branches in Buffalo, Philadelphia, and the Trotsky School in New Jersey.

[redacted] further set forth that the SWP delegation had excellent discipline with no one speaking without permission. The report concluded that the SWP delegation was the strongest and appeared to dominate the UISEC. b7D

7/30/58

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-3)

FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (100-4931)

SUBJECT: CP, USA
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On 7/30/58 NY-2010-S* advised that JOHN ABT, CP attorney, and ARNOLD JOHNSON, legislative secretary, CP, USA, had a discussion apparently referring to SACB hearings.

ABT said they were waiting for a doctor's report on LOUIS BUDENZ. BUDENZ' doctor, according to ABT, claims he is too sick to be examined.

ABT said that they "really have the goods on him (BUDENZ) now."

Above for information.

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3 - Bureau (RM)
1 - Washington Field Office (RM)
1 - New York 100-54965 (JOHN ABT)(12-15)
1 - New York 100-16021 (ARNOLD JOHNSON)(7-5)
(1) - New York 100-4931)

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM . UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: SAC, NEW YORK (100-4931) DATE: 28 JUL 1958

FROM: SA JOSEPH V. WATERS

SUBJECT: COMMUNIST PARTY, USA
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Rerep of SA JOSEPH V. WATERS, 7/22/58, at NY.

Rerep consists of 19 sections, each of which sets out investigation conducted in an area of activity of the CP, USA on which an investigative file is maintained. These files are indicated by the copies of this memorandum designated for them. One copy of rerep has been broken down by section in order that each such file may contain pertinent material as set out in that report. Each such section is accompanied by other pertinent portions of rerep, as well as a copy of the letter, dated 7/22/58, to the Director, transmitting the report and a copy of a letterhead memorandum, dated 7/22/58, setting out the reliability of the informants utilized.

1 - NY 100-80641 (CP, USA - Organization)(7-5)
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1 - NY 100-89691 (CP, USA - Domestic Administration Issues)(7-5)
1 - NY 100-89590 (CP, USA - Strategy in Industry)(7-5)
1 - NY 100-80640 (CP, USA - Negro Question)(7-5)
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1 - NY 100-88297 (CP, USA - Cultural Activities)(7-5)
1 - NY 100-54651 (CP, USA - National Groups)(7-5)
1 - NY 100-80864 (CP, USA - Religion)(7-5)
1 - NY 100-81675 (CP, USA - Pamphlets and Publications)(7-5)
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1 - NY 100-133902 (CP, USA - Attempts to Infiltrate Mass Organizations)(7-5)
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TO : SAC, SAN FRANCISCO DATE: 7/18/58

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SUBJECT: NEW YORK LOCAL, SWP
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1 - San Francisco (100-29919)(JIM ROBERTSON)(RM)
1 - Detroit (100-)(PERRY CARTWRIGHT)(RM)
1 - New York [redacted] Invest.) (7-3)
1 - New York [redacted] (Admin.) (7-3)
1 - New York (100-85923) [redacted] -3)
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1 - New York (100-85327) [redacted] (7-3)
1 - New York (100-104669) (RUTH NATOW) (7-3)
1 - New York (100-133074) (ROSE MARY GORDON) (7-3)
1 - New York (100-130558) [redacted] (7-3)
1 - New York (100-128164) [redacted] (7-3)
1 - New York (100-50937) (VINCE COPELAND) (7-3)
1 - New York (100-135101) (VINCE GARCIA) (7-3)
1 - New York (100-98816) (BERT WAINER) (7-3)
1 - New York (100-114584) [redacted] (7-3)
1 - New York (100-84574) [redacted] (7-3)
1 - New York (100-60264) (MURRY WEISS) (7-3)
1 - New York (100-118453) (FRED HALSTEAD) (7-3)
1 - New York (100-88179) [redacted] (7-3)
1 - New York (100-59096) (TOM KERRY) (7-3)
1 - New York (100-135302) (JIM ROBERTSON) (7-3)
1 - New York (100-129184) [redacted] -3)
1 - New York (100-131513) [redacted] (7-3)
1 - New York (100-133155) (ARTHUR "Whitey" KNUTSEN) (7-3)
1 - New York (100-132184) [redacted] (7-3)
1 - New York (100-130179) [redacted] -3)
1 - New York (100-112158) [redacted]
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1 - New York (100-126921) (HAYDEN PERRY) (7-3)
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1 - New York (100-80079) (JOYCE COWLEY) (7-3)
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1 - New York (100-94414) (HENRY SPIRA) (7-3)
1 - New York (100-131823) [redacted] (7-3)
1 - New York (100-130702) [redacted] (7-3)
1 - New York (100-80679) (HARRY RING) (7-3)
1 - New York (100-135320) (USEC) (7-3)
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Information Furnished	Report re meeting of NYC Local and Brooklyn Branch, SWP, 6/12/58, 116 University Place NYC
Date Received	6/18/58
Received by	SA ARTHUR J. GREENE, JR.
Location	[redacted]

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The following is a verbatim report received from [redacted] as set forth above:

"Report Written June 13, 1958

"Meeting Socialist Workers Party N.Y. Local & Brooklyn Branch
116 University Place, New York, N.Y. Thursday, June 12, 1958

"Present at the meeting were:

[redacted]
Ruth
Rose Mary
[redacted]

Vince Copeland
Vince Garcia
[redacted]
Murry Weiss
Fred Halstead

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Tom
Jim Robertson
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[redacted] Henry

Hayden Perry
Esther
Joyce Cowley

[redacted] Harry Ring

[redacted] was elected chairman. Murry Weiss gave a report on the present status of the meetings of the committee for the United Socialist ticket. The conference is to be held the following week-end. He said the objectives of the party at the week-end conference were two-fold. First, to fight for a complete slate of candidates, governor, liutenant Gov., U.S. senator, Dist. Attorney and Controller. Second, to fight all down the line for a socialist ticket and campaign against the Democratic and Republican parties.

"He said there would be at least three factions comprising the conference. Over 600 had answered the Call. Only those answering the Call and contributing at least a dollar will be considered delegates. Anyone else will be an observer. The two main factions will be on the extremes of left and right. The C.P. and the SWP. The center will be composed of the National Guardian following, the old ALP crowd and C.P. rank and filers in and out of the C.P. who are disgusted with the C.P. leadership's stand. The C.P. will use all of its tactics to wreck the Conference. Its main tactic will be to divide the delegates and make them squabble and accomplish nothing by charging SWP domination and bringing up the SWP on charges of being anti-Soviet.

"He said the main SWP tactics will be to fight the C.P. by keeping the Conference discussion on the track of the issues to be discussed toward making up the ticket, not to be provoked to answering C.P. charges, expose the C.P. wrecking tactics, expose their strategy and at the

"same time appeal to the C. P. rank and filers to support the united socialist ticket in defiance of their leaders;

"He said that all comrades must vote as a bloc. No comrade is to speak without permission and direction. All comrades will be assigned to work in groups at each session. There will be party caucuses in between sessions. The over-all objective is to win the points for a full slate of candidates and for a socialist campaign. The C.P. will offer the alternative of a single candidate and no socialist campaign (independent peac candidate)

[redacted]ead the list of names of all the comrades in the local and what group leader each is assigned to. He drew a sketch on the blackboard of the seating plan with the various groups of comrades strategically placed in a sort of diamond shaped position in the audience. Each comrade must take his cue from the leader of the group but especially from Tom who will speak from the floor. Murray Weiss will be on the dais. Comrades must arrive early to be sure to get the strategically planned seats.

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"He asked for help in getting accomodations for comrades arriving from out of town, mainly from Buffalo, Philadelphia and a few from California. All comrades are to read and study the latest Militant article on the conference by Harry Ring as background material.

"Tom said that it is most important that comrades give support when their leaders or floor speakers make a point or anyone from the Center makes a point favorable to the party objectives. Murry will give the signal for an enthusiastic responses by mild clapping from the dias.

"Murray Weiss said he fought in the committee the proposal for the singing of the National Anthem. He said he succeeded in getting the National Anthem scrapped in favor of America the Beautiful.

[redacted] gave a short report on the meeting held in the Bronx regarding Cartwright of the Southern News Letter. She said that a Committee to work in New York had been formed including SWP members to work with the activities of the Southern News Letter in New York, She also announced that she and Nat had been in contact with a a Wingdale Club (associated with the Wingdale Camp run by the C.P.). She said it consists of ex-C.P. members and others around the C.P. It consists of many interracial marriages. They asked [redacted] to bring in some members. She told them that anyone she would bring in would be members of the SWP. They said that that was alright with them. She said some of the members od the Wingdale club were working with the member of the Brooklyn Branch (SWP) in the building of the Brooklyn Socialist Forum. She asked comrades who are interested in woring in the group to see her.

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"After the meeting [redacted] told Vince Garcia that the Wingdalers were a group of young ex C.P.ers most of whom were negro and white couples who discuss political and interracial problems in and out of Camp. She said that for the present she preferred that members of the N.Y. Branch join up with the Windalers as there is t o much work now for the Brooklyn comrades in setting up the Brooklyn Branch and pushing the many Brooklyn projects and besides any comrade who joins must be willing to work with the Wingdalers as they are not interestedpeople who just sign up for things. She said it would a great opportunity to make new contacts for the party."

Photos of all individuals reported by first names have been identified by informant.

SAC, NEW YORK (100-12[illegible]) 7/21/58

SA E.J.MULHOLLAND (12-3)

STAN GOODMAN
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Identity of Source: [redacted] who has furnished reliable info in past (concéal) b6 b7C b7D

Description of Info: Contact at CP National Headquarters re STAN GOODMAN, 6/12/58

Date Received: 6/11,15/58

Received by: SA EDWARD J. MULHOLLAND (orally)

Original located: [redacted]

Utmost care must be used in handling and reporting the following information in order to protect the identity of the informant.

The above information was furnished by informant 6/11,15/58, ~~transcribed by Stenographer on 7/[illegible]/58~~ and authenticated by informant 6/16/58.

A copy of informant's report follows:

1-New York: [redacted] (Inv.) (12-3)
1-New York: (100-135561) [redacted] (12-12)
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1-New York: (100-60640) (HAROLD COLLINS) (12-12)
1-New York: (100-8934) (JEAN SMITH) (12-12)
1-New York: (100-4931) (CP, USA) (7-5)
1-New York: (100-134920) (SCOPE) (7-6)
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It was learned that on June 12, 1958, Stan Goodman met [redacted] by appointment. Goodman asked [redacted] Stan said he knew of such a job doing miscellaneous work such as wrapping, carrying and mailing packages and that the hours would be three (3) hours a day at $25.00 a week tax free. [redacted] said that sounded good to him and asked where the job was located. Stan wouldn't tell [redacted] to the national headquarters of the Communist Party on 80th St. off Broadway, N.Y.C. [redacted] said he was surprised and started to back off but that Stan persuaded him to interview for the job & went along with [redacted] They talked to Jean then to Ruth and finally Harry Collins about the job. They said [redacted] was just the type they were looking for but that the only drawback was that he is not a member of the group officially.

[redacted] said they asked him about his background and asked him to name some people that he knew in 'the group.' [redacted] he was attending some SCOPE classes taught by Aptheker & that Herb would know him. Collins told [redacted] they would let him know in a few days after they did some checking.

[redacted] didn't get the job for Ruth called him, or he called her back, on June 16, 1958, and she told him that she was sorry, "but we do have our policy of only hiring people in the group" and started to apologize. [redacted] thanked her but he was disappointed. He could have used the job.

Oh yes! On that first day 6/12/58, Stan admitted to [redacted] that he is a Communist Party member.

Ruth also told [redacted] that Collins is in charge of the SCOPE activities.

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SA JOSEPH V. WATERS

COMMUNIST PARTY, USA
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ReNYlet to Bureau, 7/22/58.

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1 - NY 100-95985 (CP, USA - UNDERGROUND OPERATIONS) (7-5)
1 - NY 100-88123 (CP, USA - UNITED NATIONS)(7-5)
1 - NY 100-87212 (CP, USA - COLONIAL MATTERS)(7-5)
1 - NY 100-80643 (CP, USA - WOMEN MATTERS)(7-5)
1 - NY 100-79493 (CP, USA - VETERANS MATTERS)(7-5)

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, NEWARK DATE: 7/31/58

FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (100-107111)(7-1)

SUBJECT: NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE FOR MORTON SOBELL IS - C

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Description of info NCSJMS Organization, 6/17/58

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1 - Los Angeles (100-)(CSJMS)(Info)(RM)
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1 - Philadelphia (100-)(CSJMS)(Info)(RM)
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1 - NY 100-107111 Sub G (Miscellaneous Sobell Committees)(7-1)
1 - NY 100-4013 (SWP)(7-3)
1 - NY 100-109489 (HELEN SOBELL)(12-14)
1 - NY 100-128869 (ROSE SOBELL)(12-14)
1 - NY 100-59884 (BEN RATNER)(12-15)
1 - NY 100-83602 (JENNIE RATNER)(12-15)
1 - NY 100-132271 (JUDY SWETSKY)(12-14)
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1 - NY 100-132801 (LEAH SCHNEIDER)(12-12)
1 - NY 100-118240 [redacted](12-15)
1 - NY 100-99246 (YURI SUHL)(12-11)
1 - NY 100-122650 (TED JACOBS)(12-14)
1 - NY 100-89179 (BELLA ALTSCHULER)(12-15)
1 - NY 100-134210 (SYLVIA MALKIN)(7-2)
1 - NY 100-117163 (MARGARET BLAU)(12-15)
1 - NY 100-129353 (LILLIAN KEIZEL)(7-3)
1 - NY 100-79299 (MYRA TANNER WEISS)(7-3)
1 - NY 100-133479 (YSA)(7-3)
1 - NY 100-132847 (PETE HUEGEL)(7-6)
1 - NY 100-126922 (ESTHER PERRY)(7-3)
1 - NY 100-62878 (ROSE STEIN)(12-14)
1 - NY 100-134884 [redacted]-6)
1 - NY 100-128124 [redacted](12-14)
1 - NY 100-134823 (AL LEVIN)(12-11)
1 - NY 100-120549 (MURIEL GOLDRING)(12-11)
1 - NY 100-122894 (JEANETTE LNU, member of Bklyn CSJMS per [redacted] on 7/1/58)(7-2)
1 - NY 100-127420 (LOU KAPLAN)(12-15)
1 - NY 100-127430 [redacted](12-15)
1 - NY 100-133195 (RICHARD DE HAAN)(7-3)
1 - NY 100-98816 [redacted](7-3)
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Report on the structure and personnel of the National and New York State Sobell Committee.

This committee is formally called the National Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell. The New York Sobell Committee is the state committee of the national. Various city committees have been organized under the state committee and are called the Bronx Committee, East Side Committee, Brooklyn Committee etc. These local committees are under the authority and jurisdiction of a New York Committee which is composed of members of the various local committees, the national committee and members of other left political organizations such as the Socialist Workers Party.

The Headquarters of the national, N.Y and city committee is at 940 Broadway, Room D. All the local city committees use this office as their headquarters. Meetings may be called by the local city committees in the homes of one of their members when the occasion permits. This is usually done of the head of a local city committee calls a meeting of his committee to report the latest plans, activities, and policies formulated by the city or national committee.

The officers of the National Committee are Helen and Rose Sobell, Ted Jacobs, Ben and Jennie from the Bronx, Judy Swetsky, Aaron Katz, Leah Schneider, [redacted] b6 b7C Emily Alman, and the heads of other state committees throughout the U.S. At the last publicized national committee meeting the leaders and officials of other left progressive groups were asked to attend. Also such notables as Malcolm Sharp and Yuri Suhl and other independents with no organization affiliation were asked to attend. Ted Jacobs is the public relations manager of the committee and coordinates all propaganda issued by the national committee. Jacobs keeps in constant touch with the news media by forwarding the latest details of the case to many newspapers. Jacobs is responsible for the releasing of all material pertaining to the national committee. Leah Schneider is the office manager of the national committee. Bella Altschauler replaces Leah (note)

Bella Altschauler incorrectly reported by informant, Should be Bella Haberberg. See by memo 8-20-58, captioned: National Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell, IS-C.

Schneider during the summer months. Bella also was noted giving financial reports at N.Y City meetings and keeping financial accounts of contributions received from all sources. Emily Alman, [redacted] and Slyvia Markin (not certain of spelling) have on different occasions during the past two years, acted as organizers for the national committee. Slyvia has travelled out of the state to organize support for the committee. These organizer_ work mainly with V.I.P.'s and seek to solicit funds or approval of the case from leading citizens. Margaret Blau, Judy Swetsky and Aaron Katz work to organize committees to carry out the plans of the national committee. This includes running parties, stuffing and mailing literature, petitioning and canvassing. b6 b7C

All the other state committees send funds, and seek and offer suggestions, to the national committee. Printed material is sent out from the national committee to other state committees. This includes the Sobell newspaper and press releases. Other material that could pertain only to a state area is printed and distributed by the state committee.

The National Board is composed of people not known by most of the committee people. There is no known list of the national Board and there have been no publicized meetings.

The New York Sobell Committee is composed of those New York people who are members of the national committee. They include Helen and Rose Sobell, Ted Jacobs, Ben and Jennie from the Bronx, Judy Swetsky, Aaron Katz, Leah Schiender, [redacted] Emily Alman and Slyvia Markin. Other members are representatives from other committees or organizations in the city. The Socialist Workers Party supplies most of the members. They include Lillian Kiezel, Myra Tanner Weiss, Esther Perry and on occasion some members of the Young Socialist Alliance. Margaret Blau is a key member of the New York Sobell Committee but works primarily in the Bronx or Long Island.

Other than a few people, the real staff of the New York Sobell Committee comes from members of other left organizations. They try by policy to cut across party and

ideological lines and get as many people as possible to support the case. Other committees are composed of one or two New York committee people and people living in that area. The East Side Committee is composed of Judy Swetsky, and other people such as Pete Huegel, Lillian Kiezel, Esther Perry, Rose Stein, [redacted] Al Levin, who on occasion attend the New York City meetings. Other committees are the Bronx Committee which includes Ben and [redacted] Margaret Blau, and a Brooklyn Committee which includes Aaron Katz, Muriel Goldring, Jeannette. Other committees form to hold socials and parties such as the West Side Committee which is primarily the friends and associates of [redacted] nd Lou [redacted]

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The New York and national Sobell Committee have the ability to reach out and gain support from other progressive groups by having friends in these groups and associations who support the Sobell case. The structure is loose but broad enough to include in its support members of any progressive group.

The Sobell Committee also has affiliates in other cities such as Los Angeles, San Francisco, Chicago, Syracuse, St. Louis, Milwaukee, St. Paul, Philadelphia and receives money and reports from these committees. At the present time the West Coast Committees are the chief financial supporters of the National Committee.

Socialist Workers Party sponsorship of the Committee is shown by the fact that its newspaper, "The Militant" gives the Sobell case broad coverage and that the parties members are on most of the Sobell Committees throughout the U.S. The Minnesota Committee at St. Paul and the Milwaukee Committee are primarily Socialist Workers people. In New York the S.W.P. staffs most of the working committees of any activity that the Sobell Committee plans. Such key S.W.P. people as Myra Tanner Weiss, Lil Kiezel, Esther Perry, are on the N.Y. Committee and the leadership of the Young Socialist Alliance group, Dick Dehaan, and [redacted] on occasion sits in on N.Y. Committee meetings.

Communist sponsorship is not detected openly. All of the Sobell Committees are favorable to the Communist party here and in Russia. Communist support is not openly solicited because of the trial and the Rosenberg case but Communist meetings and rallies covered and Sobell literature and petitions are passed out. Some who are on the committee many times criticize the number of Socialist Workers Party people who are always present at Committee meetings. Judy Swetsky, [redacted] and Lou [redacted] and Aaron Katz are among these people who do not like the "Trotskyites"_ b6 b7C

The recent signature campaign to petition the President for freedom for Sobell has approximately 6500 signatures. The signature campaign has slowed down considerably since is was begin in February, 1958. The New York office has few who are daily going out in the streets to gather petitions.

The results of funds received is not officially given. The Sobell committee sponsors many socials each month to raise funds but no breakdown has been given for many months. About $3000 was collected by the Committee at its recent rally at the community church. Other then this, and proceeds from N.Y. City parties, the Sobell Committee has not received any other financial support.

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In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

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Dear [redacted]

In connection with an official investigation being conducted by this office, it is requested that you furnish listings for the following telephone numbers:

OR 3-4114

Your personal attention in protecting the confidential nature of our inquiry in this matter is greatly appreciated and I wish to express my thanks for your cooperation.

Very truly yours,

H. G. Foster

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Special Agent in Charge

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM ..... United States Government

To : SAC, PITTSBURGH (100-662) Date: 8/4/58

From : SA THOMAS T. WILKINSON Dictated: 7/29/58

Subject: SOCIALIST WORKERS PARTY
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[redacted] (Jointly)	7/15/58	7/18/58	SA ROBERT G. ABEGGLEN (wr)	[redacted]

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1-100-662
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1-100-3463 (COMINFIL USA-AFL,CIO)

2 - Buffalo (RM)
1-100-6516 (SWP)
1-100- (COMINFIL USA-AFL,CIO)

2 - Chicago (RM)
1-65-645 (SWP)
1-100- (COMINFIL USA-AFL,CIO)

7 - Cleveland (RM)
1-100-1012 (SWP)
1-100- (COMINFIL USA-AFL,CIO)
1-100- (ACPFB)
1-100-2679 (TED DOSTAL)
1-100- (ERIC REINTHALER)
1-100-19987 [redacted]
1-100-11731 (PAULINE TAYLOR)

1 - Detroit (RM)
1-100-1334 (SWP)

3 - Indianapolis (RM)
1-100- (SWP)
1-100- (COMINFIL USA-AFL,CIO)
1-100- (CURTIS STRONG)

1 - Minneapolis (RM)
1-100-1246 (SWP)

8 - New York (RM)
2-100-4013 (SWP)
1-100- (ALP)
1-100- (UST)
1-100- (CP USA)
1-100- [redacted]
1-100-91249 (C. GRATTA)
1-100-50937 (V. COPELAND)

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"Pittsburgh, Pa. July 16, 1958

"Tuesday evening Ted Dostal called and said to meet him at the P. & L. E. Station in Pittsburgh, has he wanted to talk to the Comrades, and would be in Pittsburgh at Ten after ten, p.m. as he was on his way to New York, and would have a lay over here, as he would be leaving on the Pennsylvania.

"Ted was met, and was all agog, about the way the other Branches which he had visited was, as he put it, 'now magazine salesman', instead of trying to help the case of the Workers. Between the work they are doing in this regroupment thing and selling subscriptions to the National Guardian, and the Militant using so much from the National Guardian, that it is hard to tell if the Guardian is editing both, that the Comrades are all in a muddle, and so confused that they have lost sight of the Workers.

"Ted said he has been on vacation, and was up in Minnieapolis, last week and made a speech there on Steel giving a report on how the Steel Unions are trying to do something about the unemployment situation in his Local. Ted said that he could sense a feeling of frustration among the comrades when he got there, but was unable to put his finger on it until the meeting. Then in talking to Comrades he learned that they have been selling subs for the Guardian, as one of their major tasks. He asked why not sell subs to the Militant?, and it looked like they had just about forgotten the Militant. There was so much rangling in the Branch about how to get a meeting of all radical groups together. Some of the Comrades wanted to go out and contact individuals of radical groups, saying ther_ was so much foment among the radicals. Ted said if there is so much foment among them why don't you just put out a call, that your going to have a picnic or a meeting and for all of them to come, and in that way you could get them all together if the foment is as great as you people say it is, they would all show up to see what was going on. One Comrade said that it had been tried in smaller groups and no one showed up, but the members of that group themselves.

"Ted said he made his report on what he had been doing in Steel and they all seemed very impressed. One Comrade said he was going to come to Youngstown, and Ted said he would be glad to have him.

"Ted said even thou Minnieapolis is the strongest of unions, yet none of the Comrades there have been attending union meetings, to which Ted told them that he felt that was there biggest mistake, for in their Union work there they could prove to the workers that they were really trying to help them, and working for the betterment of the Workers.

"Ted explained that he was a Marcyite and that he proves to the workers that if they go along with him that they will better themselves. He shows them how the Marcyits thru their deeds not their talk can make the lot of the workers better. This can not be done by sell papers and knocking your self out trying to regroup, a revolutionary socialists gets out and shows his opposition that he is working for the welfare of the Worker.

"Ted said he made a steel report in Chicago Branch and here too the Comrades were so busy working with the regroupment and trying to get petitions to get King on the Ballot for the fall election that they too had lost sight of their work in the unions. Even thou there are 5 comrades ther in stell, there is no union fraction, with all the turmoil in the steel unions over the Unemployment situation and the Dues Protest Committee working to line up delegates to go to the Steel Convention in Atlantic City in September. Not a one of the Chicago group is working in any unemploy group, yet out of the 11,000 steel workers there are 4,000 now unemployed there. With such a rich field to work in by the Party comrades they have completly lost track of the task that the Plenum had set for them, In this field alone.

"Ted remarked that several of the Detroit Comrades had come to Chicago when he made his report, and he learned that in Detroit they are so busy with other things that they are not doing much better.

"Ted said that he went to Gary Indiana, and talked to several steel workers there that he had met at conventions, and in Dues Protest Committee work. He talked to them about all of them helping him to get the 30 for 40 on the floor of the Atlantic City Convention of the USW.

Curtis Strong of Gary, a big shot in the Dues Protest Committee is coming to McKeesport this Saturday and asked Ted to meet him there., but Ted said he would see him again before the USW Convention, as he would be in New York Saturday, on vacation.

"Ted is going around to the Branches to get interest raised in supporting him in get the issue of the 30 hour week with the 40 hour pay into the Steel Convention to force it thru, the Atlantic City USW Convention which is to be Sept. 15-19. He wants all the Comrades who work in steel to get 30 for 40 brought up as resolutions to send to the convention. (This no doubt was Ted's reason for his discusted feeling at learning that the comrades were not keeping up their Union activities.

"Ted said in Buffalo the Branch there is very active in all union locals and any thing that comes along in the way of working with the unemployed. They all belong to unions and take active parts in all union activity. Ted said he told them in Minneapolis and Chicago, that he had never missed a union meeting, in the last 13 years unless he was sick or away on vacation. and knows everything go on in the locals.

"Ted said in the New York Branches there are no steel workers, and they have a good chance to do some work in regroupment, and such. Kathy Gratta being the only one that he knows that actually belongs to a union in New York, and she puts up a very good fight to get our line across. In New York they are so busy working on this United Socialist Ticket, that I will bet that not a single comrade will be put in any of the 5 psots of the United Socialsit Party, even thou I learned from the last P.C. minutes that Mike Bartell (Milton Zaslow) is pulling strings to try to get at least one from the SWP on the ticket, Ted remarked.

"From the minutes, Ted said that it looks like Corlis Lamont, Marcus and the ring leaders of the old A.L.P. group will be the nominees. As Mrcus is stated as saying he will run if Lamont runs and Lamont saying he will run if Marcus will run. Yet the SWP has pledged full support to anyone that is nominated on the ticket, even if there is not one SWPer on the ticket. Ted said he asked if that would mean critical support and he was informed that there would be no critising, they meant full support, for the United Socialist ticket.

"Ted said I expect to see the SWP in New York left in a very embarrsing position for I will make a prediction that the United Socialist ticket will pull out of the election just before election day and asked all of their supporters to vote for the Democratic ticket. This would put the SWP in the very same position as the C.P. are in now, aiding the democrats.

"Ted said that the Marcyites are talking of get out a small paper to keep the rank and fill members advised of what work the Marcyites are doing, and show the Comrades what work can be done in Union fractions if they put their time to hard work in the unions.

"Ted said that he had been up to Cleveland several times and he finds that Branch has been trying to do regroupment work, and the Picnic that was held the last of June showed what results they had gotten from that work. The picnic was a flop with only 25 attending and Eric Reinthaler and his wife attended the picnic. Cleveland is also rangling over there work along the regroupment issue.

"Ted talked to [redacted] about having a picnic in Youngstown and she said since the other picnic was a flop, she did not feel that much could be gained. Ted said he was going to try and hold a picnic in Youngstown the Sunday before Labor day week end, at the same place (At the Camp of the C.P.!S, For the Foreign Born, in Youngstown) and that Pauline Taylor had agreed to help him, but she did not want too much publicicity on the picnic. b6 b7C

"Ted said that he got around 480 votes for the Spark Plug Slate in local 1330. He explained it was a 3 way fight in that election, one group which Marvin Weinstock has got 8 posts, Marvin being elected President, and the other group got 11 post. Marvin only won out, even after a recount by 10 votes, Marvin getting 1098 and his opponent 1088. The opposition (as Ted calls the group which got the 11 post) leader called Ted and asked Ted if he would take an appointment as editor of The OHIO WORKS ORGANIZER, or publicity agent, or any post in charge of Wefare committee. Ted said he told him that he would take the post as charge of the Welfare, as that gives him a good chance to push the work for the unemployed. So Ted said that is what I got out of the election. This gives me a good chance to push for a build up for the Unemployed.

"Ted said there will be a big fight at the convention in Atlantic City with all the Dues Protest Committee, getting elected to high post in their locals. When McDonald sees the turn out that the Dues Protest Committee is able to bring, and the pressure they will put on against McDonald, he will pull in his horns, and work for the benifit of the Steel Workers.

"Ted said he did not think that he would get out to Camp, if he did it would probably be Saturday, as he is going to New York primarily to talk to Vince Kopland, and get a line on what is really going on, around that area. Also to get Vince's views on what could be gained by get- - out a paper on the work in the Unions from the Marcyite point of view.

"Ted said he would be coming back to Youngstown, Sunday as he bought a round trip, ticket he would be coming thru Pittsburgh. If it is late Ted would not try to contact any of the Pittsburgh Comrades. But he did say he would call, and let them know that he arrived home safely.

"When asked about Dobbs, he said he is taking care of Party business.

"To a question about the letter evaluating the other radical groups comparing them and their members with the SWP. Ted said well about 80 percent of it is known fact and 20 percent was picked up in the Times article.

"Ted said the Pittsburgh Comrades should try to get up to Camp, some time this summer, as it had done him a lot of good visiting with comrades in the other Branches, renewing old acquaintances, and keeping in touch with Comrades. Ted remarked, 'You know it won't be too long before another Party convention rolls around and I want a Pittsburgh Comrade on as alternate, to help the Marcyites strengthen their position.'

"Ted remarked that he had been at camp twice this year, which had given him the idea of making his vacation tour of the Branches, and make himself better known."

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Copies of this memo have been designated as set forth.

OFFICE MEMORANDUM United States Government

TO : SAC, PITTSBURGH (100-662) Date 8/4/58

FROM : SA THOMAS T. WILKINSON Dictated 7/29/58

SUBJECT: SOCIALIST WORKERS PARTY
INTERNAL SECURITY-SWP

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[redacted] (Jointly)	7/13/58	7/18/58	SA ROBERT G. ABEGGLEN (WR)	[redacted]

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The above sources who have furnished reliable information in the past furnished the following written report:

"Pittsburgh, Pa. July 15, 1958

"Sunday July 13, at Ruth Querio's, at 91 Climax St. a discussion about the United Socialist Party, which held a conference in New York city in mid June, 1958, and how slow that party has been in making nominations. One Comrade commented that it looks as if Joyce Cowley, of the SWP may no get nominated for any of the five post which that Party is expected to run in the fall elections.

4-Pittsburgh
1 [redacted]
1 [redacted]
1-100-9053 (RUTH QUERIO)
2-Los Angeles (RM)
1-100-CP-USA
1-100-17375 (SWP)
7-New York (RM)
1-100-(CP-USA)
1-100-6680 (ISL)
2-100-4013 (SWP)
1-100-80693 (YSL)
1-100- (SOBELL COMMITTEE)
1-100-79299 (MYRA WEISS)
2-San Francisco (RM)
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Ruth commented that not a word has been mailed from the N.O about the nominations.

"In looking over the mail which has been sent to the Branch from the N.O. was one letter evaluating the work done by the SWP on Fund drives and how many members other radical parties have been losing. This letter bore the date June 15, 1958 but the cancelled stamp was July 10.

"It gave a run down on the ISL as being short on their $10,000 fund drive by around $3000. althou other figures had been used in the ISL to make it look as if they had gotten more. The YSL was only able to raise less than $600. in the first few weeks of their drive to get $1450, which they did not raise, and loosing member to the SWP's Youth group.

"The C.P. loss of members over the past 3 years has been so staggering that they now have less than 2700 dues pay members in the U.S. In Brooklyn alone there was less than 800 members while at one time there was over 10,000, with similar figures used for California, making about 1600, in the two strongest areas of the C.P.

"The SWP had gained a number of young members in California from the exidous of the members from the C.P. especially after Gates left the C.P. and Foster had taken over with the younger members not liking the way Foster domineers the membership. It mentioned the New York Times April bresk down of the C.P. as being off in its count by quite a number. Althou the Times was fairly correct in making the statement that a few of the Comrades had practically all the money in their control.

"The 26 that the Times mentioned as being Leaders of the California C.P. which had left the Party there was stated as really 30 of the California leadership of the C.P. had now left, and more could be expected with the murder of Nagy and Paul Maleteer.

"The SP. and SDF was having a hard time raising money

and the ISL joining with that group would not increase its possibility of doing better.

"But while all this was going on in other groups the SWP was able to meet its Expansion Fund Drive of $20,000. in full and on time, and gaining members, Sympathizers, and contacts both in the Youth group and SWP.

"The Party (SWP) being on the ballot in several states, in the past elections, had given the SWP an advantage to reach the public in their propaganda, and educate the workers to the real work the Party was doing. The coming election will increase our possibilities of reaching still greater numbers, at a time when thousands of workers are out of work, and many others working part time. The current world crisis and our analysis of it, in our magazine and paper willl show that the Party has the correct program, and is the only radical Party that has consistently been right.

"The above was essence of the letter, of evaluating what the SWP has been doing, in the past few months.

"Ruth also had a letter from Myra (Weis) which was an answer to an inquiry which Ruth wanted to know if Jack Sobel, and Morton Sobell had any connection, their names being so similar. Myra said no, but the Papers (Public Press) had been also confusing the public, by the similarity of the names, every time the Sobell Committee would put on a drive to raise money they would come out with something about the SPY Jack Sobel said this or that. Once Jack Sobel making a statement that he was to help in the Trostskys household, to try to get a chance to kill Trotsky, but when they (Myra) checked with Natalia, she confirmed the fact that she never saw nor knew anything about Jack Sobel, which gave another lie to his spying activities.

"About the letter on how the SWP stands in evealuating itself with other radical parties, a question was asked

Ruth if she had written to the N.O for information of a comparrision? She said sometime ago she had asked about regroupment gains for the SWP."

If information in this memo is disseminated, care must be exercised to conceal the identity of the source.

Copies of this memo have been designated as set forth.

STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum · UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-4931)(7-5) DATE: 8/7/58

FROM : SA JAMES P. HALLERON (7-0)

SUBJECT: CP, USA
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Identity of Source [redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past (conceal)

Description of info CPUSA meeting held 7/2/58 At Central Plaza Hall, NYC

Date Received 7/29/58

Received by SA JAMES P. HALLERON (written)

Original location [redacted]

Utmost care must be used in handling and reporting the following information in order to protect the identity of the informant.

A copy of informant's report follows:

1 - [redacted] (Inv)(7-0)
1 - NY 97-169 (Publishers New Press)(7-1)
1 - NY 100-1696 (ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN)(7-5)
1 - NY 100-13444 (JOSEPH NORTH)(7-4)
1 - NY 100-86624 (CP, USA, International Relations)(7-5)
1 - NY 100-74560 (CP, USA, Funds)(7-5)
1 - NY 100-60640 (HAROLD COLLINS)(12-12)
1 - NY 100-79967 (BEN DAVIS)(12-11)
(1) - NY 100-4931 (7-5)

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NY 100-4931

Report — Communist Party U.S.A. Activities — July 5, 1958, New York.

re: C.P. meeting on "the situation in France."

A communist party meeting under "the auspices of The Worker" on the "present situation in France" was held on July 2nd, 1958 at the Central Plaza Hall in New York.

About 200 C.P. members from the New York area came to this meeting.

Elizabeth Flynn chaired the meeting. She opened the meeting with a statement that "this is an important meeting because it is our expression of solidarity with the communist party and the people of France in the fight to prevent the establishment of fascism in France."

She told the meeting that she just came back to N.Y. from a tour of California and other states. She said that she met with "different groups of people" stating that "the people everywhere are ready to fight for and are fighting for peace."

Flynn said that the people she met with and this includes "labor groups, members of churches and students - all of them are against the continuation of nuclear tests." She underlined that "the committee against nuclear tests is especialy well organized in California."

Flynn also stated that "the people of California are fighting against the reactionaries who are trying to win an election on the anti-labor law - 'the right to work.' California will definately defeat the Knowlands in the coming elections."

Joseph North made a lenghty review of the "historic events in France which led to de Gaull."

North stated that "with de Gaull in power the danger of fascism in Europe is great." He underlined that "one must always remember that as long as capitalism is in power there is always the danger of fascism".

North said that "de Gaull is loved by the 200 families of France who want Algeria to remain in the clutches of France. They want to remain in control of Algeria. The aim of the generals who put de Gaull in power is to reduce the Algerian people to slavery." He spoke of the socialist Molet who tried to sell de Gaull to the working class of France, but the French workers are against de Gaull and his generals who are killing thousands upon thousands of fighters for the independence of Algeria."

North stated that the "communist party of France is the only political party which is fighting de Gaull. The communist party of France set up thousands of anti-de Gaull committees all over France and is leading the working class in the anti-de Gaull struggle."

North spoke about a book "The Question" - "the great book of our time." He asked everyone to read this book which exposes the "de Gaull plot".

North spoke about "money our government is giving to the de Gaull government which is being used in the fight against the people of Algeria."

He concluded his speech with: "This most be stoped. We can not be silent. We got to allert our people to the dangers which are facing France and the world. We are proud of the fight of the communist party of France against fascism."

Elizabeth Flynn said that "as long as the Communist party of France is guiding its destiny fascism will never come to France." Flynn told the meeting that "The Worker" carries important articles on the situation in France. She asked everyone to read "The Worker" and to sell the paper in the shops and in the neighborhoods. "The Worker has a lot of amunition for discussions and is an inspiration for mass activities."

Flynn asked for contributions.

"A group of garment workers" contributed $17.00, there was a donation of $10.00 and 2 $5.00 donations. Most of the contributions were $100s and change. The collection was about $150.

Harold Collins asked the audience to support the "Marxist summer courses." Ben Davis stated in his speech that "there is a connection between the struggle in France and the fight for liberty here."

He called upon the members of the C.P. to build The Worker: "a large circulation of the Worker will greatly help in the reestablishing of the Daily Worker." He also for the building of the communist party - "the only party which is fighting for socialism in America." Ben Davis spoke against those "elements who left the party and some who are still in the party" who are for "liquidating the party. The events in France show the necessity of having a communist party here: all parties in France went on a vacation, only the communist party remained at it's post to bar fascism in France. Long live the communist party of France. We are proud to be a part of it."

Ben Davis spoke against "all socialist parties which work in favor of the imperialists." He underlined that "the communist party of France spoke up against the persecution of communists here."

Davis spoke of the rotten imperialists of France but lets not forget the American imperialists. They are today the foundation of world imperialism."

He stated that France now is a second-rate power and that "there can not be a stable government in France without the communist party. With the communist party France will establish a popular front government which will lead France to Socialism". Ben Davis talked about about "the liberation movement of the colonial people all over the world. Most of Asia is liberated. Africa is the last big price the imperialists are about to loose.

They even spit upon them in Latin America. The imperialists are fighting a loosing battle and they know it and they are desperate. The Soviet Union and China are the great powers of socialism leading the fight for the liberation of all colonial people. We must teach the American working class the importance of their solidarity with the people of Africa. We have a duty to support the liberation movements. We must show the world that America is not Edgar Hoover, Rogers or Dulles." He called for organizing of demonstrations at the French consulate in New York. He called to "work here for the liberation of the negro people."

Ben Davis stated that "there is in American only one political force with a real future; a force which will lead to the liberation of all American people and to socialism, the communist party of America."

Davis told the audience that "this meeting tonight in such a hot whether underlines our optimism, will, confidence and determination. Our party has a real future in America. We communists, here do our work without interfeerence. We have our own discussions and we make our own decissions and wehave decided that the Soviet Union is fighting for the liberation of all colonial people; that the Soviet Union is building socialism; that the Soviet Union is fighting for peace and we are supporting the Soviet Union."

He said that "the communist party most help the working class of America to understand it's destiny."

Again he called upon the communists to build The Worker which "teaches the working class to understand it's destiny. To build the communist party" and to "concentrate on the youth. Long live the youth which is the future of our party."

The meeting adopted a proposal made by Elizabeth Flynn "to authorise "the sending of greetings (from this meeting) to the C.P. of France and the French people on their fight against de Gaull.

SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-1763) 7/21/58

SA H. RAWLINS OVERTON

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA DISTRICT,
COMMUNIST PARTY (SCDCP)
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SOURCE	ACTIVITY	RECEIVED	AGENT	LOCATION
[redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past and whose identity should be concealed.	Report by JACK STACHEL to National Executive Committee	6/24/58	writer	[redacted]

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On 6/24/58 [redacted] furnished SA H. RAWLINS OVERTON with a mimeographed copy of a report by JACK STACHEL to the National Executive Committee, CP, USA, on the "Situation in France" which was published in the "Worker" June 8, 1958. A note by BEN DOBBS, Executive Secretary, Southern California District, Communist Party, called attention to the fact that the June issue of "Political Affairs" would include a statement from the Communist Party of France and generous orders were urged.

ACTION: Informant was thoroughly interviewed and could add nothing further to the above.

All necessary action in connection with this memo has been taken by the writer.

cc: [redacted]

2 - New York (COMMUNIST PARTY, USA)
(JACK STACHEL) - REGISTERED

100-4663 (B. DOBBS)(SI)
100-23397 (CP BRIEF - COMPROS)
100-24349 (INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS)
100-32439 (CP LINE)

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Read by HRO

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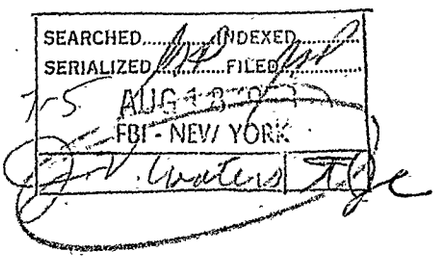

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A NASSAU-SUFFOLK committee has been organized to work for United Socialist candidates in the November election. They're running John T. McManus for governor and Corliss Lamont for senator.

Max Bedacht of Smithtown is chairman of the local unit, Philip Oke of Baldwin vice-chairman.

Make 7 photostats

1 - NY 100 - 26603 - CHS - (NASSAU-SUFFOLK COUNTY CP)(7-4)
1 - NY 100 - 19358 (MAX BEDACHT, SMITHTOWN, NY)(7-4)
1 - NY 100 - 134378 (PHILIP OKE, BALDWIN, N.Y.)(7-4)
1 - NY 100 - 26780 (CORLISS LAMONT)( )
1 - NY 100 - 7664 (JOHN T. MCMANUS)( )
1 - NY 100 - 79717 (POLITICAL ACTIVITIES)(7-1)
1 - NY 100 - 80641 (CP, USA, ORGANIZATION)(7-1)
1 - NY 100 - 4931 (CP, USA, QUARTERLYS)(7-1)

Newspaper clipping
from "Long Island Daily Press",
issue of Tuesday, August 5, 1958,
page 12, column 3, under article
entitled "Politics," written
by HERBERT GOLDSTONE.

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100-26603-CHS

OFFICE MEMORANDUM UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, SAN FRANCISCO DATE 8/14/58

FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (100-133594)(7-1)

SUBJECT: FACULTY OF SOCIAL SCIENCE
IS - C

Identity of Source [redacted] who has furnished reliable information in past (conceal) b6 b7C b7D

Description of info 7/10/58 Thursday Evening forum Adelphi Hall by ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN "My Cross Country Trip"

Date Received 7/17/58

Received by SA [redacted] (written)

Original location [redacted]

Utmost care must be used in handling and reporting the following information in order to protect the identity of the informant.

A copy of informant's report follows:

2 - San Francisco (100-)(CP, USA, California District)(Info)RM
(1 - 100-)(ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN)
1 - Chicago (100-)(CP, USA, Indiana-Illinois District)(Info)RM
1 - Los Angeles (100-)(ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN)(Info)(RM)
1 - Seattle (100-)(Young Political Explorers)(Info)(RM)
1 - [redacted] (Inv)(7-6)
1 - NY 100-1696 (ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN)(7-5)
1 - NY 100-60640 (HAROLD COLLINS)(12-12)
1 - NY 100-94653 (VICTOR PERLO)(7-2)
1 - NY 100-4931 (CP, USA)(7-5)
1 - NY 97-169 ("Daily Worker")(7-1)
1 - NY 100-135198 (CHARLES JOHNSON)(12-0)
1 - NY 100-132847 (PETE HUEGEL)(7-6)
1 - NY 100-130199 (FRIEDA FINE)(12-10)
1 - NY 100-133594 (7-1)

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Report on a class in Marxist theory held Thursday evening, July 10, 1958 at Adelphi Hall, 74 5th Ave. The topic of the class or forum was "My Cross-Country Trip," and the speaker was Gurley Flynn. About thirty people were in attendance and a $1.00 admission fee was charged. The class opened with 15 present at 8:30 PM and the remainder arrived after 9:00 P.M.

Harold Collins made a few remarks before Flynn spoke. He made mention of the other classes held Tuesday and Wednesday evenings. The attendance at these classes has been the highest ever, between 20 and 30 people. Collins thought this showed that the people are realizing more each day the need for Marxist education.

Flynn began by stating her visits to the West Coast were the first in 10 years. She noted a great change especially the rise in industry. Flynn said she was partial to the West Coast and thought the people there were more down to earth than those on the East Coast. She mentioned that many New Yorkers can be found in Los Angeles and San Francisco and that she renewed many old friendships. Flynn spoke at May Day rallies to over 1000 people in Los Angeles and 300 in San Francisco. Altogether she spoke at 14 affairs. During this time Flynn said she could not spend a dime.

Flynn said the lack of youth at most of the affairs she spoke caused her some concern. Most of the people were middle - aged and up. At this point she mentioned of a group of youths who had founded a Marxist political club called the Young Political Explorers. This group founded in Spokane, or Tacoma, Washington plane to contact college clubs and get them interested in Marxist debate. The club at present has about 40-50 members.

Flynn said she recommended to the National Committee of the Communist Party that a new study be made of economic conditions on the West Coast so that it could be used by the comrades to meet changing conditions. She suggested that Victor Perlo do research on it. The changes in the lumber industry and the development of the aircraft industry make such a study necessary.

Flynn spoke about the Dr. Roberts political campaign in California that netted 400,000 votes. She said most of the party members supported it. Flynn passed off the resignation of 26 members of the Party in California as a good sign. She said this was a revisionist group and had lost contact with Marxist thought. Already three new members have taken their places and many new members will soon be taken in to fill the spots. She said she was suprised to hear that many comrades believed the resignations meant a crisis in the California party. She said it was not considered such in California.

In the question and answer period that followed Flynn said the national committee of the party has delayed plans to move party headquarters to Chicago. A committee on this matter reported that a proper building could not be located and that other expenses would make it prohibitive. The matter will be more fully discussed in six months. Flynn thought it would be many months before the Party will be in a position to bring back the Daily Worker. Flynn thought the West Coast has great possibilities for Party growth if gains can be made with the youth.

Those noted in attendance were Charley Johnson, Pete Huegel, Freda Fine. Most of the others present attended past forums.

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TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-4931) (7-5) DATE: 8/11/58

FROM : SA [redacted] (12-12)

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SUBJECT: CP, USA
IS-C

Identity of Source [redacted] who has furnished reliable information in past (conceal)

Description of info Conversation between [redacted] re STAN GOODMAN

Date Received 8/1/58

Received by S SA [redacted]

Original location [redacted]

Utmost care must be used in handling and reporting the following information in order to protect the identity of the informant.

A copy of informant's report follows:

1 - [redacted] (Inv) (12-12)
1 - NY 100-129822 [redacted] (12-10)
1 - NY 100-135237 [redacted] 2-12)
1 - NY 100-120546 (STAN GOODMAN) (12- 12)
(1 - NY 100-4931) (7-5)

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In July 1958 a conversation was held between [redacted] that STAN GOODMAN was formerly a messenger at Communist Party headquarters. No dates of his employment at Party headquarters was given.

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: SAC, NEW YORK (100-134627)(7-1) DATE: 8/14/58

FROM: SA JAMES P. HALLERON (7-0)

SUBJECT: COMMITTEE TO HONOR THE MEMORY
OF ISRAEL AMTER
IS - C

Identity of Source [redacted], who has furnished reliable information in past (conceal) b7D

Description of info Info re activities of the Committee to Honor the Memory of Israel Amter

Date Received 7/29/58

Received by SA JAMES P. HALLERON (written)

Original location [redacted]

Utmost care must be used in handling and reporting the following information in order to protect the identity of the informant.

A copy of informant's report follows:

1 - [redacted] (Inv)(7-0)
1 - NY 100-17924 (CARL BRODSKY)(12-14)
1 - NY 100-102025 (AL NAIDICH)(7-0)
1 - NY 100-8057 (EUGENE DENNIS)(7-5)
1 - NY 100-27452 (ROBERT THOMPSON)(7-5)
1 - NY 100-1696 (ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN)(7-5)
1 - NY 100-25821 (CHARLES HENDLEY)(12-10)
1 - NY 100-84275 (WILLIAM PATTERSON)(7-1)
1 - NY 100-4931 (CP, USA)(7-5)
1 - NY 100-26603 (CP, NYS)(7-6)
1 - NY 100-9756 (SADIE AMTER)(12-14)
1 - NY 100-93611 (LYDIA MINOR)
1 - NY 100-134627 (7-1)

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Report — Committee to Honor the Memory of Israel Amter Activities. — July 19, 1958, New York.

Carl Brodsky, member of the "Committee to Honor the Memory of Israel Amter, ordered the stationary for the above mentioned committee after he had a telephone consultation with Al Naidich.

The stationary order was for 1,500 letters and the same amount of envelopes. Originaly the chairman of this comm. was supposed to be Carl Brodsky and the treasurer Al Naidich. By mistake Brodsky marked Al Naidich as secretary of the committee.

Eugene Dennis and Robert Thompson assigned Elizabeth Flynn to be chairman of the committee and Charles Hendley was proposed by William Patterson to be the secretary but again because of Brodsky's assistance he was marked (on the order to the printer) as the treasurer.

The list of sponsors of the "comm. to honor the memory of Israel Amter" was approved by the National and N.Y. State leadership of the Communist party.

The Amter memorial and the publication of the book writen by Sadie Amter of which the "Committee to Honor the Memory of Israel Amter" is in charge, is being considered as a project of the National committee of the Communist party which also had to approve the soliciting of funds by the "Committee to Honor the Memory of Israel Amter."

Some 500 letters asking for contributions were mailed out on July 14th, 1958 by Carl Brodsky, Charles Hendley and Al Naidich. Carl Brodsky used for the mailing the old list of contributors to the "Mother Bloor Memorial."

On July 17, 1958, Charles Hindley reported to Al Naidich that he received $85 contributions. "The largest contribution came from Bob Minors wife - a check for $25. There was

an anonimous contribution of $10; the rest were small contributions of $1. and $2. Some 58 letters came back - wrong address or something."

It was decided between Brodsky, Hendley, and Naidich to have all the mailing of the letters finished by July 28th, 1958 "to save money on postage. August 1st each letter will cost 4¢ instead of 3¢" Carl Brodsky remarked.

A checking account for the above mentioned committee will be opened during the week of July 21st at the Amalgamated Bank in New York. Al Naidich proposed that checks should be signed by both or either one - Hendley or Brodsky. It was agreed to do so.

August 15, 1958

AIRTEL AIRMAIL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (100-11889)

SUBJECT: CP - USA
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[redacted] on 8/13/58 provided a copy of a letter written by ROBERT THOMPSON in New York to MICHEX LIMA, Chairman, Northern District of California, CP. Among the things mentioned in this letter was that they are discussing in New York two possible dates for the next NEC meeting of the CP. The two dates were 9/13 and 14, which was favored by most of the comrades interested according to THOMPSON and the second choice is the week end of 9/20 and 21.

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1- San Francisco

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM - United States Government

Date: 8/15/58

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-4931)

FROM : SA [redacted] (7-5)

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SUBJECT: CP, USA
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The August 10, 1958, issue of "The Worker," page 14, announces a celebration of the 39th Anniversary of the Communist Party on Friday, September 26, 1958, at Carnegie Hall, 57th Street and Seventh Avenue, NYC.

1 - ASAC N. H. MC CABE, Div. IV
1 - Supr. [redacted] (#7)
1 - Supr. [redacted] (#12)
1 - New York 100-4931 (CP USA)(7-5)
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1 - RA Poughkeepsie
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1 - RA White Plains

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

201 East 69th Street
New York 21, New York

August 26, 1958

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[redacted] Agent
New York Telephone Company
140 West Street
New York 7, New York

Dear [redacted]

In connection with an official investigation being conducted by this office, it is requested that you furnish listings for the following telephone numbers:

OR 7-1626

Your personal attention in protecting the confidential nature of our inquiry in this matter is greatly appreciated and I wish to express my thanks for your cooperation.

Very truly yours,

H. G. Foster

H. G. FOSTER
Special Agent in Charge

1 - NY 100-4931

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STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum · UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC SAN DIEGO (100-7056) DATE: 9/18/53

FROM : SAC NEWARK (100-22205)

SUBJECT: HERMAN LEVINE
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(OO: Newark)

Re Summary Report of SA [redacted] 9/22/52 at San Diego. b6 b7C

When interviewed on 7/9/53 by Bureau agents, information contained in the attached SF 64 was obtained from the subject. Newark is continuing contacts with this subject in order to elicit complete information concerning his activities and associates.

The attached is furnished for information and whatever disposition San Diego and New York Offices deem appropriate. Attached are copies of original SF-64.

3 - San Diego (RM) (Att. 3)
(2 - INDEPENDENT PROGRESSIVE PARTY)
(1 - COMMUNIST PARTY)
4 - New York (RM) (Att. 2)
(1 - 100-110242)
(1 - AMERICAN YOUTH FOR DEMOCRACY)
(1 - COMMUNIST PARTY)
(1 - INTERNATIONAL WORKERS ORDER)
1 - Newark
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Office Memorandum · UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC NEWARK (100-39205) DATE: 7/15/53

Dictated: 7/15/53

FROM : SA [redacted]

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SUBJECT: NORMAN LEVINE
SECURITY MATTER - C

On July 9, 1953, NORMAN LEVINE was interviewed at Metuchen, New Jersey, at his home, Apartment 9E, Garfield Apartments, by SAs OLIVER A. CHALIFOUX and [redacted]. After the agents identified themselves to LEVINE and explained the responsibilities of the Federal Bureau of Investigation in the internal security field, his cooperation was asked. LEVINE advised that he had had a complete change in his political thinking in the past several years and welcomed the opportunity of expressing his position to the contacting agents. He advised that he had even considered contacting the Newark Office to make the Federal Bureau of Investigation aware of his present position and to set the record straight concerning his past activities and associations.

LEVINE advised that he was reared in a liberal "left wing" family and that in such a climate of political and social guidance, coupled with the difficult economic situation which prevailed in the depression years of the middle and late 1930's, his political views and activity was tending towards the liberal viewpoint. He stated he was enrolled in the INTERNATIONAL WORKERS ORDER (IWO) by his parents on a date not recalled by him and continued in the IWO strictly for the insurance benefits. He advised he could not recall the date he left the IWO but discontinued sometime before the IWO insurance was disbanded. He advised he was a member of an organization at about age 10, which he believes was called the Young Pioneers and that he entered the AMERICAN YOUTH FOR DEMOCRACY (AYD) during his early teens in the Fort Greene area of Brooklyn, New York. He advised that this was about 1943 and stated that he was a club leader in the Fort Greene AYD club and was one of the delegates to an AYD convention which was held in Albany, New York, in 1946 or 1947. LEVINE advised that he was an AYD member from sometime in 1943 until he entered the United States Navy in 1944.

He advised that he had no contact with any known subversive groups or individuals while in the U. S. Navy but that upon his discharge from the Navy in 1946, he again

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regarding ATD activity. He stated he entered the COMMUNIST PARTY (CP) in New York City within a year after his discharge from the Navy. He advised he joined the CP in New York City and later went to San Diego, California, in about 1947. He advised he was very active in the Independent Progressive Party in the San Diego, California, area during the 1948 Henry Wallace for President Campaign. He advised he left the CP sometime in 1951 or 1952 and has had no contact with any CP club or group since that time. He stated that he has not been contacted by any CP members, nor has he been solicited for funds by the CP or its front groups since leaving the Party. He advised that during the period 1951 to 1953, exact date not recalled, many of his former associates in the State of California were subpoenaed to testify in an investigation of alleged subversive activity in California. He stated he was not contacted during the course of this investigation but stated his name was mentioned by several of those who did give testimony. He stated he did not know whether this was a state or a Federal inquiry into subversive activity. LEVINE advised that he now sees the error of his previous political thinking and association and regrets his association with the CP and other groups in the past. He stated that with the publication of the Khrushchev Report, the Hungarian Revolution and other factors, his mistaken idealism of former years was brought into focus. He advised that while he left the CP in 1951 or 1952, he continued to be at least sympathetic to the CP and its various causes for several years thereafter. He advised that when he was contacted by the Federal Bureau of Investigation in 1953 or 1954 he refused to talk to the agents and stated he was reacting to the contact exactly as the CP had instructed its members to do.

LEVINE had only a limited time to meet with the agents during this evening but agreed to a meeting in the near future. He stated he would try to recall dates and activities in more detail. He stated he had no objection to answering any questions pertaining to his own activities and associations but stated he did not desire to inform on any of his former associates in the several subversive groups with which he was associated. He stated that he felt these persons like himself have long since changed their thinking and have possibly severed their connection with the subversive organizations. He felt it would be a disservice to these persons to disclose

NY 100-[redacted]

State agents. It is the intention of the contacting agents to continue this interview with LEVINE in the near future.

The following description of LEVINE was obtained during the course of his interview:

Name:	HERMAN LEVINE
Sex:	Male
Race:	White
Height:	5'10"
Weight:	180
Build:	Medium - heavy
Hair:	Brown
Eyes:	Brown
Complexion:	Medium to dark
Marital Status:	Married
Residence:	3B, Garfield Apartments, Hoboken, New Jersey
Remarks:	Veteran, U. S. Navy, 1942 - 1946

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TO: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-1763) DATE: 8/19/58

FROM: SA JOHN F. RUSSELL, JR.

SUBJECT: DISTRICT COUNCIL - FUNCTIONARIES CONFERENCE
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SOURCE	ACTIVITY	RECEIVED	AGENT	LOCATION
[redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past, and whose identity should be concealed	7/27/58	8/4/58	Writer	[redacted]

Informant's report is quoted as follows:

ccs: [redacted]

(1) - NEW YORK (REGISTERED) (CP, USA) ✓

100-4486 (D. HEALEY)(SI)
100-4963 (P. PERRY)(SI)
100-52571 (C. ALEXANDER)(SI)
100-4663 (B. DOBBS)(SI)
100-44910 (A. JACKSON)(SI)
100-33476 (C. BRIGGS)(SI)
100-38947 (M. FRISHKOFF)(SI)
100-29693 (D. MAYR)(SI)
100-33876 (A. MANDELMAN)(SI)
100-23198 (N. SPARKS)(SI)
100-56495 (E. ALDEZMA)(SI)
100-56494 [redacted](SI)
100-56591 [redacted]SI)
100-32407 (E. SEARLE)(SI)
100-22648 (M. SIEGE)(SI)
100-4751 (E. SPECTOR)(SI)
100-8119 (F. SPECTOR)(SI)
100-23660 (R. CHERNIN)(SI)
100-24842 [redacted](SI)
100-3108 (E. FREED)(SI)
100-7530 (T. FREED)(SI)
100-20098 (M. CARL)(SI)
100-27931 (S. SILVER)(SI)
100-21884 (H. SAZER)(SI)
100-22612 (E. MONJAR)(SI)

100-13965 (J. JOSEPHSON)(SI)
100-20992 (B. LUSHER)(SI)
100-23556 (J. FOREST)(SI)
100-23496 (E. COHEN)(SI)
100-24794 (M. COHEN)(SI)
100-33198 (W. TALBOT)(SI)
100-30398 (S. DOROSHKIN)(SI)
100-21834 (J. KOVNER)(SI)
100-26942 (J. ATINSKY)(SI)
100-44901 (C. GOODMAN)(SI)
100-56533 (E. ENFIAJIAN)(SI)
100-24753 (E. RICARDO)(SI)
100-34758 (M. STEINBERG)(SI)
100-31131 (A. BERTOLINI)(SI)
100-30844 (E. BERTOLINI)(SI)
100-36867 (J. PASTERNAK)(SI)
100-56623 (G. SERENO)(SI)
100-25392 [redacted](SI)
100-30439 (B. TAYLOR)(SI)
97-16 (PW)

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"Los Angeles, July 30, 1958

"Combined District Council and Functionaries Conference of Southern California District of the Communist Party

"Sunday, July 27, 1958; 10:30 AM to 5:00 PM
Park Manor, 607 S. Western Avenue, Los Angeles, Calif.

"Between 150 and 200 people attended, among whom were the following:

"DOROTHY HEALEY
PETTUS (PETTIS) PERRY
CHARLENE ALEXANDER
BEN DOBBS
ARVILLA JACKSON
CYRIL BRIGGS
MAX FRISHKOFF
DOROTHY MAYR
ANNA MANDELMAN
NEMMY SPARKS
EMILIE (EMILY) ALDEZNA (ALDEZMA)
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ELIZABETH SEARLE
MARGIE SIEGE
ELIZABETH SPECTOR
FRANK SPECTOR
ROSE CHERNIN
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EMIL FREED
TASSIA FREED
MAGGIE CARL
SOPHIE SILVER

HENRY SAZER
ELSIE MONJAR
JESSIE JOSEPHSON
BERNARD LUSHER
JAMES FOREST
ERIC THOMAS COHEN
MARY COHEN
WALLY TALBOT
SADIE DOROSHKIN
JEAN KOVNER
JERRY ATINSKY
CAL GOODMAN
ED ENFIAJIAN
ELIZABETH RICARDO
MAX STEINBERG
Husband of BETTY WILLETT
ANGELO BERTOLINI
ETHEL BERTOLINI
JOE PASTERNAK
GENE SERENO
[redacted]
BILL TAYLOR

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"DOROTHY HEALEY, who was supposed to have given Majority Report of the National Committee Meeting of the Communist Party, in fact gave a Minority Report. She stated she would discuss content of National Committee discussions, on behalf of the So. Calif. District Board, give her own estimate of significance of developments, and present some of the questions of what the district proposes in regard to activities and tasks facing the Communist Party.

"A Sub-Committee of the National Committee proposed that the question of moving the national headquarters of the Communist Party to Chicago be postponed for six months, at which time problem will be reviewed. Accepted unanimously.

"DOROTHY HEALEY spoke at length on the Dennis Report, which dealt with an estimate of the new situation in regard to the international questions as well as an estimate of the peace movement in the United States. Stated that the estimate of the 20th Congress of the Soviet Union has been proven correct.

"DOROTHY HEALEY was critical of the fact that the Worker published an editorial on the Nagy execution prior to issuance of a statement by the National Committee of the Communist Party USA. She also read a resolution presented by some national committee members, of which she was one, on the Nagy executions, which was rejected by the main body of the National Committee.

"DOROTHY HEALEY bitterly attacked Bob Thompson's report to the National Committee -- stating she thought it was factional. She quoted out of content, which is her usual practice, from the Thompson report. Later in the conference she was criticized for this.

"While DOROTHY HEALEY was giving the report, which was very long, a member stood up and called for limiting her. She was given 10 more minutes to finish her report. Most of the people present were very angry with the report.

"PETTUS (PETTIS) PERRY was asked to give a report for the Majority, in brief form. Stated that it will be some time before the Communist Party USA will be able to get unanimous decisions on everything. However, every Comrad of all committees is duty bound to carry through resolutions and decisions, if the Communist Party is to get ahead. Further, said DOROTHY HEALEY made factional remarks. PERRY stated he would criticize the Dennis Report on fact instead of criticizing the French Communist Party; would criticize the USA Communist Party. We should be critical of ourselves and not spend out time criticizing Communist Parties of other countries. He further stated that he cannot get excited about Nagy, et al executions when we have troops in Algeria, Lebanon, etc.

"CAL GOODMAN, MAX STEINBERG, EMIL FREED, FRANK SPECTOR, JAMES FOREST, BERNIE LUSHER, HENRY SAZER, CHARLENE ALEXANDER, BILL TAYLOR, BEN DOBBS, ROSE CHERNIN, as well as three or four others spoke.

"It was obvious at this conference that the we are beginning to see more clearly how certain people stand --

"many up to now have been sitting on the fence, as it were, but are now being forced to take definite positions. The majority of the people are with the DENNIS forces as opposed to DOROTHY HEALEY, et al.

"MAX STEINBERG made a motion to remove DOROTHY HEALEY from the So. Calif. District chairmanship. This motion defeated. Tabled by a vote of 68 for, 6 opposed, 12 abstentions. It is obvious that some people did not vote. District Convention to be held in early October (October 3-4-5), therefore motion was premature.

"Motion carried that the Conference accept the main line of the National Committee Report. 67 for; 9 against; 18 abstentions.

"When DOROTHY HEALEY was asked whether WALTER WINCHELL's printed statement was correct about two Southern California national committee members resigning from the party, she stated: 'I do not propose under any conditions to leave this party.'

"M/S/C that October 3-4-5- be date for Southern California District - Communist Party Convention.

"People's World protest meeting for July 28, 1958, announced."

ACTION

Informant was thoroughly interviewed regarding this report and could furnish no additional information.

All other necessary action in connection with the above has been taken by the writer.

DIRECTOR, FBI (100-3-69) 8/22/58

SAC, BOSTON (100-20779)

COMMUNIST PARTY, USA
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ReBulet 7/14/58.

[redacted] has advised that the following persons represented this area at the Eastern Seaboard Conference in question: b7D

LEWIS JOHNSON
ROBERT GOODWIN
MICHAEL A. RUSSO

[redacted] said that according to ROBERT GOODWIN, member of the CP, USA, National Committee, that the above were the only ones from this area who attended the Eastern Seaboard Conference in question.

It would, therefore, appear that the Unsub white male in photograph number one referred to in Bulet did not come from the New England area.

The following additional Informants were contacted and were unable to identify Unsub white male in photograph number one:

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2 - Bureau (100-3-69) (RM)
1 - Boston (100-20779)

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SAC, New York (100-4931) August 28, 1958

Director, FBI (100-3-69)

COMMUNIST PARTY, USA
ORGANIZATION
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

Enclosed is one copy of a letter from Boston dated August 22, 1958.

You are requested to advise whether the unsub white male mentioned in Bulet to Boston dated July 14, 1958, has been identified.

Enclosure

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STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, New York (100-4931) DATE: August 28, 1958

FROM : Director, FBI (100-3-69)

SUBJECT: COMMUNIST PARTY, USA
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INTERNAL SECURITY - C

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You are requested to advise whether the unsub white male mentioned in Bulet to Boston dated July 14, 1958, has been identified.

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Date: August 20, 1958

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Via AIRTEL _____
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To: SAC, New York

From: Director, FBI (100-3)

COMMUNIST PARTY, USA, IS-C

Consideration presently being given to preparation of chart reflecting current organizational structure of Communist Party (CP), USA.

In this regard, the Bureau desires that you promptly submit complete and detailed data relative to Party's national organizational structure. Your reply should clearly show the chain of command from national convention down to club level. Set forth all pertinent information re various committees, commissions or departments, etc., on a national scale including jurisdiction, duties and identities of members. Differentiate between those which are actually in existence and those which the Party is contemplating establishing.

It is also desired that you include in your reply the current district breakdown of the Party including name and area covered by each. In event this latter information not readily available, as office of origin you should immediately set out any leads necessary to obtain same.

That information requested above which is readily available should be returned to Bureau within 10 days of receipt of this communication while remaining information should be forwarded as promptly as possible and under no circumstances no more than 30 days from receipt of this communication.

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DIRECTOR, FBI (100-3) 8/29/58

SAC, NEW YORK (100-4931)

CP, USA
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Re Bureau airtel, 8/20/58, which requested information concerning the Party's national organizational structure.

There is set forth below the data requested, arranged in order from the highest authority, the National Convention, down to the lowest unit, the club, according to the best information currently available to the NYO.

National Convention

The highest authority in the CP is the National Convention, which is empowered to make political and organizational decisions binding on the entire Party. National Conventions are to be held every two years within the first six months of the year and they are composed of delegates elected by each state or district in approximate proportion to the membership represented. (CP, USA Constitution).

National Committee

Between the National Conventions, the National Committee is the highest authority in the Party and it must meet at least four times a year. (CP, USA Constitution).

The 16th National Convention of the CP held in February, 1957, authorized the establishment of a National Committee of 60 members plus any former National Committee members who are imprisoned under the Smith Act. Twenty members of the National Committee were elected as "at-large" members by the National Convention, with the remaining forty to be elected by the State and District Conventions.

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At the last National Committee meeting, held on June 28 and June 29, 1958, it was announced that the National Committee then had 57 members. These 57 members are as follows:

COMMUNIST PARTY, USA, NATIONAL COMMITTEE

MEMBERS AT LARGE

	NAME	DISTRICT
1.	CHARLENE MITCHELL	Southern California
2.	CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT	Illinois
3.	JAMES JACKSON	New York
4.	DOROTHY HEALEY	Southern California
5.	BENJAMIN J. DAVIS, JR.	New York
6.	EUGENE DENNIS	New York
7.	WILLIAM Z. FOSTER	New York
8.	EARL DURHAM	Illinois
9.	CARL WINTER	Michigan
10.	JOHN C. HELLMAN	Montana
11.	FRED FINE	Illinois
12.	ANNA CONREA BARY	Colorado
13.	CARL ROSS*	Minnesota
14.	AL RICHMOND	Northern California
15.	SIDNEY STEIN	New York
16.	DAVE DAVIS	Eastern Pennsylvania and Delaware
17.	CHARLES LOMAN	New York

MEMBERS ELECTED BY VARIOUS DISTRICTS

NEW YORK

1. MILDRED MC ADORY
2. SIMON GERSON
3. WILLIAM WEINSTONE
4. JESUS COLON
5. JOSEPH JOHNSTONE
6. NAT ROSENBLUTH
7. LOUIS WEINSTOCK
8. LLOYD LOUIS BROWN
9. MILTON ROSEN
10. WILLIAM ALBERTSON

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA

1. ALBERT JASON LIMA
2. JOSEPH FIGUEIREDO
3. WILLIAM SCHNEIDERMAN

ILLINOIS

1. RALPH TURNER
2. FLORA HALL
3. SAM KUSHNER
4. [redacted]

* According to Minneapolis airtel dated 8/21/58, to the Bureau, captioned "CP, USA ORGANIZATION IS-C", [redacted] advised on 8/21/58 that CARL ROSS had officially dropped his membership in the CP and the National Committee on that date.

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MEMBERS ELECTED BY VARIOUS DISTRICTS (CONT'D)

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

1. BENJAMIN DOBBS

EASTERN PENNSYLVANIA AND DELAWARE

1. JOSEPH ROBERTS
2. THOMAS NABRIED

MICHIGAN

1. NAT GANLEY
2. THOMAS DENNIS

OHIO

1. HYMAN LUMER
2. ANTON KRCHMAREK

SOUTH

1. MARY KALB
2. HOSEA HUDSON

NEW ENGLAND

1. ROBERT FOUSE GOODWIN

WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA

1. STEVE NELSON

MARYLAND

1. GEORGE A. MEYERS

NEW JERSEY

1. MARTHA STONE
2. PATRICK TOOMEY

INDIANA

1. EMANUEL BLUM

WISCONSIN

1. ALAN SHAW

MINNESOTA

1. CLARENCE SHARP

OREGON

1. CASSIE JONES

ROCKY MOUNTAINS

*1.

WASHINGTON

1. BURT NELSON

*This will be left vacant.

SMITH ACT SUBJECTS WHO HAVE BEEN ADDED TO NATIONAL COMMITTEE

1. ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN
2. ROBERT THOMPSON
3. PETTIS PERRY
4. JACK STACHEL

The following officers of the National Committee have been approved:

WILLIAM Z. FOSTER was elected Chairman Emeritus of the CP at the National Committee meeting on April 27 and 28, 1957.

The following were approved at the National Committee meeting held 6/28 and 29/58:

National Secretary	-	EUGENE DENNIS
Executive Secretary	-	ROBERT THOMPSON
Negro and Southern Affairs Secretary	-	JAMES E. JACKSON
Educational Director	-	HY LUMER
Legislative Secretary	-	ARNOLD JOHNSON
National Field Organizer	-	ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN

The National Committee, at its meeting on 6/27 and 28/58, was unable to decide at that time on filling the post of Labor Secretary.

EARL DURHAM was elected National Secretary of Youth Affairs by the National Administrative Committee at its meeting on 5/22 and 23/57; however, it is noted that the National Administrative Committee was subsequently abolished and the other national officers who had been elected at that meeting have been replaced by those approved at the National Committee meeting of 6/27 and 28/58. It is noted that the post of National Secretary of Youth Affairs was not mentioned at the latter meeting; however, EARL DURHAM is known to still function more or less as a National Youth Director.

Appeals Committee

The Appeals Committee was set up by the National Committee to hear cases involving disciplinary measures to be

taken against groups in the lower levels of the CP or individuals who have been charged with some infraction of the Party's rules. It also hears appeals for reinstatement by individuals who were expelled from the Party. The Appeals Committee makes its decision in each case and presents its decision to the National Committee for final approval.

The Appeals Committee currently consists of MORRIS CHILDS - Secretary, TOM NABRIED and PAT TOOHEY - members.

National Executive Committee

The CP Constitution authorizes the National Committee to name an executive committee and therefore, the National Committee, at its meeting on 4/27 and 28/57, established the National Executive Committee as the main policy body which was to act between meetings of the National Committee. Its purpose was to organize Party work, elect the necessary sub-committees, and run the Party in accordance with the policies set forth by the National Committee and the National Convention.

The National Committee meeting of 2/16/58 set the membership of the National Executive Committee at 15.

The current National Executive Committee consists of 13 members, as follows:

BENJAMIN J. DAVIS, JR., elected 2/16/58,
EUGENE DENNIS, elected 2/16/58,
ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN, elected 2/16/58,
JAMES E. JACKSON, elected 2/16/58,
ALBERT JASON LIMA, elected 2/16/58,
HY LUMER, elected 2/16/58,
GEORGE MEYERS, elected 2/16/58,
JACK STACHEL, elected 2/16/58,
ROBERT THOMPSON, elected 2/16/58,
ANTHONY KRCHMAREK, elected 6/29/58,
CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT, elected 6/29/58,

BURT NELSON, elected 5/29/58,
CARL WINTER, elected 5/29/58.

The two vacancies are to be filled at the next National Committee meeting.

COMMITTEES AND COMMISSIONS

The Jewish Committee

The National Executive Committee, during the first half of 1958, set up a special committee of five members which was to meet with the "Jewish Commission" in an effort to formulate CP policy in regard to the Jewish question. This Committee is composed of V.J. JEROME - Secretary, and BENJAMIN J. DAVIS, JR, HY LUMER, JACK STACHEL, WILLIAM WEINSTONE - members.

There is a "Jewish Commission" in existence in the CP, USA, but according to CP leaders, this Commission has no real status and is just merely a group of Jewish comrades who have been meeting together and discussing the situation regarding the Jews and attempting to find a policy which would be acceptable to the Jewish members of the CP, USA. BENJAMIN J. DAVIS recently said that the "Jewish Commission" has been acting like a commission of the CP, USA, even though it was not an official body.

The composition of the "Jewish Commission" is not known to the NYO.

Party Program Committee

The National Executive Committee, at its meeting of 3/23 and 29/58, established the Party Program Committee to prepare a draft of a Party program which was to be submitted to the National Committee for discussion and thereafter to the entire Party. The members of the Party Program Committee are as follows:

JAMES ALLEN - Secretary,
EUGENE DENNIS, ALEXANDER BITTELMAN, JACK STACHEL,
JAMES E. JACKSON, HERBERT APTHEKER and HY LUMER.

Education Committee

NY LUMER, the National Education Director, on 5/22/58, said that the Education Committee had just been reorganized and was then trying to re-establish a Marxist program of education. The members of the Education Committee are not known to the NYO at this time, nor is its exact function known. It was probably set up to supervise the activities of the National Education Department which has as its function the establishment of schools, curricula and lectures to educate the CP members in Marxist-Leninist principles. The Education Department also prepares material on current issues for use in club discussions and study, provides assistance to local CP officials on publicizing matters of local interest, prepares educational pamphlets for distribution throughout the Party, publishes books, leaflets and periodicals and sets up training schools for future CP leaders.

HERBERT APTHEKER is in charge of the Faculty of Social Science which is the current name for the CP, USA school and which has met in Adelphi Hall, 74 Fifth Avenue, New York City.

Auditing Committee

The National Auditing Committee was set up by the National Executive Committee in July, 1957 and given the duty of searching into every phase of Party finances and reporting on the state of the Party's finances to the National Executive Committee. The Auditing Committee was also to look into the method of obtaining money, the state of the Party's finances, the security and auditing of finances and make inquires concerning funds handled by the Party in the past and to be handled by the Party in the future.

The National Auditing Committee is currently composed of MORRIS CHILDS and HELEN WINTER.

Foreign Affairs Committee

The Foreign Affairs Committee was set up by the National Executive Committee in 1957 to discuss,

review and report on United States foreign policy, receive and consider reports on the political and economic situation existing in foreign countries and recommend CP policy in foreign affairs to the National Executive Committee. The exact composition of the Foreign Affairs Committee is not known; however the following CP leaders have been in attendance at these meetings in the past:

JAMES ALLEN, ALBERT BLUMBERG, MORRIS CHILDS, EUGENE DENNIS, A.B. MAGIL, JOE ROBERTS,

In August, 1937 MORRIS CHILDS was described as the Acting Secretary for Foreign Affairs.

Negro Commission

There is a "Negro Commission" in existence in the CP, USA; however, its exact status is not known. It has been referred to by various CP leaders concerned with negro affairs and with the efforts of the CP, USA to establish a new policy regarding the Negro, but the information available to the NYO does not indicate that it was ever officially established by one of the governing bodies of the CP, USA.

The identity of members of the "Negro Commission" are not known to the NYO.

Farm Commission

The Farm Commission was established to draft proposals for submission to the National Executive Committee looking toward the formulation of a National Farm Policy for the CP, USA. The members of this commission as of 6/21/37 were:

CARL ROSS - Secretary,
ROBERT COE, LEM HARRIS, MAC GORDON, ERIC BERT, PAT TOOMEY.

District Organization

Referenced airtel requested that the chain of command in the CP, USA be set forth from the National Convention down to the club level, which would include the district organization.

The Bureau's attention is called to Bureau letter dated 9/7/58 to NY, captioned "CP, USA ORGANIZATION, IS - C" which requested that a detailed analytical summary of the organization and membership of each district organization from the convention to the club level be submitted to the Bureau by approximately mid-September by each field office. Since the survey being conducted in that regard will cover in very detailed form, the entire structure, it will not be repeated here.

Briefly, the district organization is as follows:

The highest authority is the District Convention. It in turn establishes a District Committee. In the case of NY, this District Committee has elected a District Staff which consists of a Chairman, Secretary, Educational Secretary, Labor Secretary, Treasurer, and Director of Negro Affairs.

The New York District Committee has also established a District Board which administers the District Organization between meetings of the District Committee. In New York, this Board consists of 20 members which includes the District Staff, enumerated above, the County Organizers, and other elected members.

Below the District Committee are the County Organizations. Each of these usually has a staff consisting of Organizer, Treasurer, Press Director, Educational Director, and Literature Director.

The County Organization is in turn broken down into sections which are usually headed by an Organizer and Membership and Dues Secretary. The sections are composed of a group of clubs, each of which has a Chairman and a Membership and Dues Secretary. The club is the smallest organizational unit in the CP, USA.

Referenced airtel also requested the current district breakdown of the Party, including the name and area covered by each. This data is as follows:

DISTRICTS	ESTIMATED MEMBERSHIP	STATES INCLUDED IN DISTRICTS	ESTIMATED MEMBERSHIP
Connecticut District	100	Connecticut	100
Eastern Pennsylvania & Delaware District	200	Pennsylvania (eastern) Delaware	194 6
Illinois District	666	Illinois (excluding East St. Louis area) Iowa (Davenport & Bettendorf only	666 9
Indiana District	101	Indiana	101
Maryland-D.C. District	83	Maryland District of Columbia	62 21
Michigan District	250	Michigan	250
Minnesota-Dakotas District	230	Minnesota North Dakota South Dakota	185 22 23
Missouri District	88	Missouri Kansas (Kansas City only) Illinois (East St. Louis only)	84 2 2
Montana District	34	Montana	34
New England District	152	Vermont Maine New Hampshire Massachusetts Rhode Island	2 2 10 128 10

DISTRICTS	ESTIMATED MEMBERSHIP	STATES INCLUDED IN DISTRICTS	ESTIMATED MEMBERSHIP
New Jersey District	350	New Jersey	350
New York District	3200	New York	3200
Northern California District	518	California (north of Kern & Santa Barbara Counties)	518
Northwest District	318	Washington	300
		Idaho	18
		Territory of Alaska	0
Ohio District	352	Ohio	351
		West Virginia (Panhandle Section)	1
Oklahoma-Arkansas District	12	Oklahoma	12
		Arkansas	0
Oregon District	50	Oregon	50
Rocky Mt. District	38	Colorado	7
		Utah	20
		New Mexico	6
		Wyoming	0
		Texas (17 western counties)	5
Southern California District	1005	California (exclusive of counties north of Santa Barbara & Kern Counties)	1005
Southern Region	143	Alabama	13
		Florida	37
		Georgia	5
		Louisiana	10
		Mississippi	0
		North Carolina	18
		South Carolina	2
		Tennessee	0
		Texas (excluding 17 western counties)	43

DISTRICTS	ESTIMATED MEMBERSHIP	STATES INCLUDED IN DISTRICTS	ESTIMATED MEMBERSHIP
		Virginia	15
Western Pennsylvania District	85	Pennsylvania (western)	85
Wisconsin District	102	Wisconsin	102
STATES WITHOUT FORMAL CP ORGANIZATION	57	Arizona	21
		Iowa	11
		Kansas	3
		Kentucky	5
		Nebraska	10
		Nevada	0
		West Virginia (exclusive of the 4 Panhandle countries)	7
TERRITORIAL POSSESSIONS	16	*Alaska	0
		Hawaii	0
		Puerto Rico	16
Total	8,150	Total	8,150

*Also considered part of Northwest District

SAC, NEW YORK (100-129629) AUG 29 1958

SA JAMES E. REILLY, 7-6

WILLIAM ALBERTSON
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Identity of Informant	NY 2353-S*
Reliability	Who has furnished reliable information in the past.
Date	8/15/58

According to NY 2353-S* on 8/15/58, BILL ALBERTSON contacted SYLVIA HALL at NY State CP Headquarters to find out if there were any messages for him. SYLVIA said that BILL's friend, HENRY, who had been there the previous day stopped in and said "The person's still working on it but so far hasn't been able to clinch it because, while she was there, they weren't-but she's working hard on it". She said that the reason HENRY came up that day was that he said there was much confusion already and would probably be more concerning the advertisement which the Socialist ticket had in "The Worker". She said that HENRY thought that, if "The Worker" took it they should have had a story either explaining why they took it or put the notation "paid political announcement" or something of the sort on it. She said that HENRY received several complaints and questions about it because people thought that perhaps "The Worker" was advising them to do it. ALBERTSON commented that they ought to look at the other side and remarked that it is quite obvious that "The Worker" was not advising them to do it and people ought to read "The Worker's" special article. BILL said, however, that he had been against the advertisement from the start.

1 - NY 100-100351 (SYLVIA HALL) (7-5)
1 - NY 100-135320 (United Independent Socialist Election Conference) (7-3)
1 - NY 100- (HENRY LNU) (Was at NY State CP Headquarters in an attempt to see ALBERTSON according to NY 2353-S*, on 8/15/58)
1 - NY 100-4931 (CP, USA) (7-5)
1 - NY 100-23825 (BENJAMIN DAVIS, JR.) (7-5)
1 - NY 100-129629

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SYLVIA then told BILL that she had been able to write only one sentence of an announcement so far and asked if they could start by saying: "Dear Comrades, as you probably know, the CP USA will soon be celebrating its 39th Birthday -" BILL said that he would call it the 39th Anniversary and suggested that SYLVIA could say something about the Party's reconstitution, regrowth in connection with its 39th Anniversary celebration as well as what the Party has stood for in the fight against capitalist imperialism and so forth. He said the message should be addressed to BENJAMIN J. DAVIS, Chairman of the NY State CP and should arrive much before 9/26/58.

In the event it becomes necessary to disseminate this information, care should be taken to protect the informant's identity.

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Office Memorandum · UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC

DATE: 9-1-58

FROM : SA HARRIS J. MILLER
(Complaint Duty)

SUBJECT: CP-USA

Re: ~~Minn~~ NY. airtel to ~~NY~~ MINN cap. The [redacted] dated 8-29-58. [redacted]

On 9-1-58, [redacted] telephonically contacted the NYO and advised that he had learned that SID STEIN has drafted a letter of resignation from the CP. [redacted] said he did not know when this letter was going to be submitted or if this information was "old stuff" but that if it wasn't it should be kept confidential as to not disclose his identity.

He also said that STEIN and CARL ROSS have been in contact with each other and have discussed forming an Independent Socialist Grouping; that STEIN feels he might have 400 people who would follow along with him on this.

The [redacted] said he would call in any new information he might obtain re the above.

[redacted]

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1 CP-USA
1 NY 100-50090 SID STEIN
1 CARL ROSS

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SAC (100-50090) 9-2-58

SA HARRIS J. MILLER
(Complainant Duty)

SID STEIN

RE: NY airtel to Minn, 8-29-58, cant
The [redacted] Info Concerning [redacted] b7D

On 9-2-58, The [redacted] telephonically contacted the NYO and advised the writer that the subject was considering forming an Independant Socialist Grouping; that this fall had been set as the latest date for this; that George Watt and George Blake where going to work with him locally on this and that there is a group that will drop out of CP and will help set this up.

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1 NY 100-4931 (CPUSA)
~~1 NY 100-50090~~
1 NY 100-50806 George Blake
1 NY ~~100-16785~~ George WATT 100-18673
1 NY 100-50090 Sid Stein

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, DETROIT DATE: 9/25/58

FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (100-133479)

SUBJECT: YSA
IS-YSA

Identity of Source: [redacted] who has furnished reliable info in past (conceal).

Description of Info: YS Editorial Board meeting, 144 2nd Ave., NYC, 7/15/58.

Date Received: 7/16/58

Received By: SA [redacted] (written)

Original Located: [redacted]

Utmost care must be used in handling and reporting the following information in order to protect the identity of the informant.

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A copy of informant's written report follows:

1-Detroit (100- BOB HIMMEL) (RM)
1-[redacted] Inv.) (7-6)
1-NY 100-133195 (RICHARD DE HAAN) (7-3)
1-NY 100-133197 [redacted] (7-3)
1-NY 100-98816 (BERT WAINER) (7-3)
1-NY 100-133542 (MARTY WILNER) (7-6)
1-NY 100-130702 [redacted] (7-3)
1-NY 100-127167 (7-3)
1-NY 100-130558 (7-3)
1-NY 100-133814 [redacted] (7-3)
1-NY 100-114584 (7-3)
1-NY 100-130179 [redacted] (7-3)
1-NY 100-4013 (SWP) (7-3)
1-NY 100-4931 (CP USA) (7-5)
1-NY 100-128164 [redacted] (7-3)
1-NY 100-7664 (JOHN T. MC MANUS) (7-1)
1-NY 100-25780 [redacted] (7-1)
1-NY 100-135320 (UNITED ELECTION TICKET) (7-3)
1-NY 100-128804 (CP USA YOUTH MATTERS) (7-5)
1-NY 100-133479 (7-3)

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NY 100-133479

July 16, 1958

Time: 7:30 P.M. July 15, 1958
Place: 144 2nd Avenue, New York City N.Y.
Event: YS editorial board meeting
Attendance: 10

IDENTIFIED

Dick DeHaan [redacted] Marty Wilner [redacted] [redacted] b6 b7C

Bert Wainer

In Hall but not attending meeting

First order of business was discussion of an article written by Bert Wainer for the YS Discussion Bulletin. The article stated that the youth movement was independent. However, the youth movement must take its cues from adult groups. It further stated that now is the time to start a national youth movement. Dick DeHaan objected to the article on the grounds that it tied the youth movement in with the SWP policy of getting close and conciliatory to the C.P. (The article mentioned this policy) Dick said that this was not the case. Bert consented to make some changes and the article was accepted.

During the preceding discussion, [redacted] called long distance from Detroit; asking for $100.00 in order to get things set for the youth conference (YS). The conference had been moved from Chicago due to the apathy on the part of Chicago members. Dick DeHaan said that since New York has a hall it would be far cheaper for almost all concerned to hold the conference in New York. After debate, this was agreed on. A volunteer to handle the over-all planning was called for. The most likely candidate is [redacted]

Marty Wilner came before the editorial board and with the aid of Dick DeHaan, managed to get the YS to cancel all previous YSA debts ($90.00)

Next on discussinn were the articles planned for the next issue. The lead article will be a loud protest for sending troops to Lebanon.

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John McManus has consented to run for Governor on the United Socialist Ticket

[redacted] donated $1000.00 to the ticket

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-3) DATE: 9/5/58

FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (100-2398)

SUBJECT: COMMUNIST PARTY - USA
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

UTMOST CARE MUST BE USED IN HANDLING AND REPORTING THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION IN ORDER TO PROTECT THE IDENTITIES OF THE INFORMANTS. IT IS SUGGESTED THAT COMPLETE PARAPHRASING BE UTILIZED IN THE EVENT THIS INFORMATION IS INCORPORATED IN A REPORT SUITABLE FOR DISSEMINATION.

CG 5824-S*, on August 25, 1958, made available to SA JOHN E. KEATING a Dictaphone memo belt, which was transcribed by Stenographer [redacted] This transcription is located in Chicago file A/134-46-4589. The information on the following pages, which pertains to discussions with PAT TOOHEY, ROBERT THOMPSON, and BILL ALBERTSON in New York City, is contained in this transcription. b6 b7C

It is believed that the person from the Western Pennsylvania District, who made an appeal to the National Appeals Committee of the Communist Party - USA, has been referred to as BOBBY JONES.

3 - Bureau (REGISTERED)
(1 - 100-3-69) (CP-USA, Organization)

4 - Los Angeles (REGISTERED)
(1 - 100-) (CP-USA, Southern California District, Factionalism)
(1 - 100-26044) (CP-USA, Southern California District, Organization)
(1 - 100-4486) (DOROTHY HEALEY)
(1 - 100-) (BILL TAYLOR)

6 - Newark (REGISTERED)
(1 - 100-) (CP-USA, New Jersey District, Factionalism)
(1 - 100-) (CP-USA, New Jersey District, Membership)
(1 - 100-4284) (CP-USA, New Jersey District, Organization)
(1 - 100-) (EMANUEL CANTOR)
(1 - 100-2974) (MARTHA STONE)
(1 - 100-19491) (PATRICK TOOHEY)

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7 - New York (REGISTERED)
(1 - 100-4931) (Communist Party - USA) (#7-5)
(1 - 100-87211) (CP-USA, Factionalism) (#7-5)
(1 - 100-129629) (WILLIAM ALBERTSON) (#12-11)
(1 - 100-56835) (VIRGINIA GARDNER) (#12-14)
(1 - 100-16785) (JAMES JACKSON) (#7-5)
(1 - 100-49430) (PATRICK TOOHEY) (#7-1)
(1 - 100-27452) (ROBERT THOMPSON) (#7-5)

2 - Philadelphia (REGISTERED)
(1 - 100-) (Communist Party - USA)
(1 - 65-1685) (THOMAS NABRIED)

2 - Pittsburgh (REGISTERED)
(1 - 100-) (Communist Party - USA)
(1 - 100-) (BOBBY JONES)

3 - Chicago
(1 - A/134-46-4589)
(1 - 100-3470) (MORRIS CHILDS)

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August 25, 1958

Cases Before the National Appeals Committee of the Communist Party - USA

On Wednesday, August 20, 1958, PAT TOOHEY and MORRIS CHILDS, members of the National Appeals Committee of the Communist Party - USA, were discussing the work of the National Appeals Committee.

CHILDS told TOOHEY that BOB THOMPSON suggested that the National Appeals Committee clean its docket in order to be prepared for the new appeals which may be coming into the National Office as a result of the expulsions. First of all, expulsions of the ultra-Left; and secondly, possible expulsions of Right wingers.

The VIRGINIA GARDNER Case

TOOHEY said that he had been in contact with TOM NABRIED, the other member of the National Appeals Committee. NABRIED said that he has received some new documents from VIRGINIA GARDNER, and that she has some new complaints. TOOHEY said that GARDNER may be "cracked" or "a little off", but she did send in some documents and NABRIED would make them available to CHILDS. CHILDS said he would send a letter to NABRIED asking him for this material.

The BILL TAYLOR Case

TOOHEY said that he had heard that the BILL TAYLOR case is still a factional issue in California, and that BILL TAYLOR is using it in that sense. TOOHEY suggested that CHILDS might write to Southern California and ask what disposition was made in this case. CHILDS commented that he would discuss this case with BOB THOMPSON.

Subsequently, it was learned that CHILDS and THOMPSON did discuss this case on the same day. THOMPSON said that he did not think that the National Appeals Committee should become involved in the BILL TAYLOR case at this time. He said that the California situation is coming to a climax and the Right wing is being beaten.

THOMPSON said that on July 30, 1958, they had a meeting of the active -- that is, the Club Organizers, Section Organizers and so-called functionaries -- in Southern California. At this meeting, DOROTHY HEALEY made a report on the National Committee meeting. Her report was against the reports of EUGENE DENNIS and BOB THOMPSON, and against the National Committee decisions. THOMPSON said that

HEALEY was voted down. She received only nine votes for her point of view, while the supporters of the DENNIS-THOMPSON viewpoint received 69 votes. Fifteen people abstained from voting. THOMPSON said that in view of this, he thought that if the National Appeals Committee injected the BILL TAYLOR case into the California discussion at this time, it might hurt the forces which are preparing to overthrow DOROTHY HEALEY.

Case of BOBBY (LNU), of Pittsburgh

TOOHEY said that he had taken up the case of the Negro, BOBBY, with the people in Pittsburgh. Then TOOHEY said that BOBBY is suspected of being a "stool pigeon". TOOHEY said that BOBBY was picked up on two occasions in a drunken stupor and has admitted that while in one of these situations, he had talked to two FBI Agents. TOOHEY said that while the National Appeals Committee might inquire about this case, it was his opinion that the National Appeals Committee should not push the case.

BILL ALBERTSON then joined CHILDS and TOOHEY for a few moments and said that he had received a letter from BOBBY, and that BOBBY has not been reinstated into the Party as yet. When ALBERTSON left, TOOHEY again stated that he felt that the National Appeals Committee should not push this case too hard. He said he does not know why ALBERTSON keeps worrying about BOBBY. He said that he had mentioned the case only from a tactical point of view so that the docket might be cleared. However, the people in Western Pennsylvania suspect BOBBY and witnesses pointed to his demoralization. Thus, the National Appeals Committee might get into trouble if it sponsors him or asks the Communist Party of Western Pennsylvania to reinstate him.

The New Jersey Appeals Case

CHILDS and TOOHEY agreed tentatively to have a meeting in Newark on the New Jersey appeals case, since the National Office of the Communist Party - USA wants the National Appeals Committee to clear up this case and get rid of it in one way or another. Since PAT TOOHEY is now the head of the New Jersey District, he said he would be present but that perhaps JIM JACKSON could participate in his place as an acting member of the National Appeals Committee. TOOHEY said that this case is going to be a tough proposition. It was agreed tentatively to hold this meeting on Saturday, September 13, 1958, but this date may be altered.

New Jersey District

TOOHEY spent most of the time talking about the problems he has in the New Jersey District. He said that they have only registered half as many members as they registered during the preceding registration. In answer to a specific question, he said that the New Jersey District has registered close to four hundred members.

TOOHEY said that he is getting sick. He pointed to some blotches on his face and said that whenever he gets excited, he breaks out into a rash and red blotches appear all over his face and body. He also said that his stomach is bothering him again.

Further, TOOHEY said that he is the District Organizer or District Chairman in name only. He explained that he was elected by default. He stated that the Right wing, led by MARTHA STONE, still has a majority on the District Committee. Any time they want to, they can remove him. Since there is a fight from the ultra-Left and constant sabotage on the part of the Right, he is having a hard time. He said he cannot keep up with the Right wing, especially. MARTHA STONE, CANTOR, and others go around the District visiting important individuals, Party members, and former Party members, and tell them to stay away from the Party, not to be active, but to be passive, etc. He said that MARTHA STONE has not been active in the District except for carrying on this type of agitation and propaganda. She is not attending meetings regularly. She is still on a leave of absence. He said that she went to the National Committee meeting and made a scandalous speech. But as far as the District is concerned, except for trying to win over people to the side of the Right wing, she is not engaging in any kind of activity.

COMMENTS OF CG 5824-S*

The impression was received that PAT TOOHEY is a very harassed man. Knowing PAT TOOHEY and knowing how he broke down in the past a number of times in exactly the same situations, I am not so sure that he is going to last. He might last, if the National Office promotes him or brings him closer to the leadership, since he does have a number of honorary titles. He said he is having financial difficulties. This is the summer season and he rents out a few apartments on his farm. Yet, his wife is not feeling too well and she cannot take care of this by herself. He said that his attention is also needed around the farm. Nevertheless, he is riding around, covering the circuit, attending meetings in all the small towns, etc. He thinks that the Party is too patient with the Right wing and that one of these days it will be necessary to get rid of them. He said that the next step that they may have to take in New Jersey, with the approval of the Center, would be to call a special convention which would elect a new leadership, made up of a majority of the people, who believe in the policy being pursued by the National Office at the present time. In this way, they would be able to get rid of the influence of the majority now led by MARTHA STONE and the Right wing. TOOHEY said that if this is not done and the Right wing should decide that they want to continue their membership in the Party and create more trouble, then they could call a meeting of the District Committee, out-vote him, remove him, put in anyone they want to or just keep the Party in a state of turmoil.

This was PAT TOOHEY's story of woe in the New Jersey District.

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TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-4931)(#7-5) DATE: 9/4/58

FROM : SA [redacted] (#12-12)

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SUBJECT: CP, USA
IS - C

Identity of Source [redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past (conceal)

Description of Info Information regarding 39th Anniversary Celebration of CP in September, 1958, at Carnegie Hall, NYC

Date Received 8/25/58

Received By SA [redacted] (orally)

Original Located [redacted]

Utmost care must be used in handling and reporting the following information in order to protect the identity of the informant.

The following information was furnished by [redacted] on 8/25/58 and authenticated by [redacted] on 8/25/58.

A copy of informant's report follows:

1 - New York [redacted] (INV)(#12-12)
1 - New York (100-99369)(ALLAN LAWS)(#12-12)
1 - New York (100-82905)(WILBUR BROMS)(#12-12)
1 - New York (100-122763)(MANNY SOLOMON)(#12-12)
1 - New York (100-89691)(CP,USA - DOMESTIC ADMINISTRATION ISSUES)(#7-5)
1 - New York (100-4931)(#7-5)

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On Saturday, 8/23/58, Allan Laws was heard to say that in September, 1958, a celebration would be held at Carnegie Hall, New York City, to commemorate the 39th Anniversary of the Communist Party. No exact date was given, but Laws said it was hoped that it would be on a Friday night. He said the first hour and a half of the celebration would be devoted to cultural entertainment. According to Allan Laws, Will Broms and Manny Solomon are on the entertainment committee for the big celebration.

OFFICE MEMORANDUM UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: SAC, NEW YORK (100-115575) (7-1) DATE: 9/9/58

FROM: SA JAMES P. HALLERON, #7-0

SUBJECT: PEOPLE'S RIGHTS PARTY
IS-C

Identity of Source [redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past (conceal) b7D

Description People's Rights Party located at 306 Lenox Avenue, NYC

Date Received 8/29/58

Received by SA JAMES P. HALLERON (written)

Original location [redacted]

Utmost care must be used in handling and reporting the following information in order to protect the identity of the informant.

A copy of informant's report follows:

1 - [redacted] Inv) (7-1)
1 - NY 100-128815 (CP NEGRO MATTERS) (7-6)
1 - NY 100-91911 (JESSIE GRAY) (12-15)
1 - NY 100-79025 (MILDRED MC ADORY) (12-15)
1 - NY 100-82206 (BILL STANLEY) (12-15)
1 - NY 100- (JAMES MOLLOY) (12-15)
1 - NY 100-62847 (LEON LOVE) (12-15)
1 - NY 100-23825 (BEN DAVIS) (7-5)
1 - NY 100-27452 (BOB THOMPSON) (7-5)
1 - NY 100-4931 (CP, USA) (7-5)
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People's Rights Party

The People's Rights Party is located at 306 Lenox Ave., New York City, Room 302, and is the headquarters for Benj. Davis Jr, bid for election to the State Senate from the 13th A.D.

This headquarter is open early in the morning at 10. A.M. to about 10 P.M. in the evening, full of activities briefing the canvassers, who rings the door bells, sending out telegrams to various organization in Harlem for their support for Benj. Davis, making telephone calls, soliciting canvassers & workers for this campaign and the distribution of leaflets, and mailing out letters, asking the enrolled voters in the 21st District to sign the petitions for Ben Davis, and the planning of street meetings and the selection of speakers for these street meetings.

Apparently 30 to 40 canvassers are sent every day gathering petitions, and at present there are more than 2500 signed petitions for Ben Davis Jr. 60 % of these canvassers are white, and come from trade unions, volunteer workers, and old Communist Party canvassers.

In charge of this campaign is Jessie Gray, Mildred Mc Adory, Bill Stanly, James Molloy and Leon Love.

On Tuesday nights Aug 26, 1958, 9:15 p.m. Ben Davis make a report on the progress of this campaign to all the assembled workers. He stated that he was quite elated over the present results of the signed petitions which is at 2500 and stated he was sure that the canvassers shall reach 5000 signed petitions by closing date Sept. 9, 1958. Ben stated that he was receiving wide encouragement from many civic, fraternal, trade unions, and church groupes in Harlem and thru-out the nation.

Ben stated since he has started to campaign, many Harlemites, has stopped him on the streets and congratulated him on his return to public life.

Ben stated that all the workers in this campaign is making history, because they are making a world, a country and a community, where all sides of the political issues can be heard and told. This could not happen, perhaps 4 or 5 years ago.

Just before Ben Davis spoke, Bob Thompson, walked into headquarters of the People's Rights Party, and in a short remakrs, stated that the National Board of the C.P. is carefully watching the progress in this campaign, and congratulates the workers in this campaign on the job they are doing, for surely they are creating a new world and making history in this campaign.

OFFICE MEMORANDUM UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-107111)(7-1) DATE: 8/27/58

FROM : SA [redacted] (7-6)

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SUBJECT: NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE
JUSTICE FOR MORTON SOBELL
IS - C

Re NY memo, 7/16/58, captioned "CSJMS, IS - C" and NYlet to SAC, Newark, 7/30/58, captioned as above.

Rememo contains information from [redacted] and has a copy designated for the file of BELLA ALTSCHULER (100-89179). On page 2, paragraph 4, it reads in part as follows:

"During the evening it was stated by Aaron that Leah Schneider would take the summer off. A woman named Bella, who staffed the office last summer, will take her place...."

Relet, page 2, paragraph 4, also contains information from [redacted] and states in part:

1 - [redacted] (INV)(7-6)*#
1 - NY 100-18469 (AARON KATZ)(12-10)*#
1 - NY 100-132271 (JUDY SWETSKY)(12-14)*#
1 - NY 100-120549 (MURIEL GOLDRING)(12-12)*#
1 - NY 100-118134 (MILDRED LNU, W,F, 5'7", 125 lbs., 40, present at Sobell Headquarters 6/5/58, per [redacted] (7-2)*
1 - NY 100- (WILLIAM REUBEN-?)(7-2)*
1 - NY 100-127420 (LOU KAPLAN)(12-15)*#
1 - NY 100-127430 [redacted] (12-15)*#
1 - NY 100-132801 (LEAH SCHNEIDER)(12-12)*#
1 - NY 100-89179 (BELLA ALTSCHULER)(12-15)*#
1 - NY 100-134210 (SYLVIA MALKIN)(7-3)*#
1 - NY 100-109849 (HELEN SOBELL)(12-14)*#
1 - NY 100- (FNU BLUMBERG)(7-2)*
1 - NY 100-117163 (MARGARET BLAU)(12-15)*#
1 - NY 100-100072 [redacted] (7-2)*
1 - NY 100-107111-Sub G (MISCELLANEOUS SOBELL COMMITTEES)(7-1)#
1 - NY 100-4013 (SWP)(7-3)#

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1 - NY 100-118240 [redacted] (12-15)#
1 - NY 100-99246 (YURI SUHL)(12-12)#
1 - NY 100-122650 (TED JACOBS)(12-14)#
1 - NY 100-129353 (JULIAN KEITZEL)(7-3)#
1 - NY 100-79299 (MYRA TANNER WEISS)(#)
1 - NY 100-133479 (YSA)(7-3)#
1 - NY 100-132847 (PETE HUEGEL)(7-6)#
1 - NY 100-126922 (ESTHER PERRY)(7-3)#
1 - NY 100-62878 (ROSE STEIN)(12-14)#
1 - NY 100-134884 [redacted] -6)#
1 - NY 100-128124 [redacted] (12-14)#
1 - NY 100-134823 (AL LEVINE)(12-14)#
1 - NY 100-122844 (JEANETTE LNU, member of Bklyn. CGJMS per [redacted] on 7/1/58)(7-2)#
1 - NY 100-133195 (RICHARD DE HAAN)(7-3)#
1 - NY 100-98816 [redacted] (7-3)#
1 - NY 100-4931 (CP-USA)(7-5)#

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"Bella Altschauler replaces Leah Schneider during the summer months. Bella also was noted giving financial reports at NY City meetings and keeping financial accounts of contributions received from all sources."

On 8/12/58, [redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past, furnished SA [redacted] with the following handwritten report dated 8/12/58: b6 b7C b7D

"8/12/58

"On this day, August 12, 1958 I viewed a photograph of a white female, about 60 years old, 5 ft 5, 165 lbs. brown, grayish hair, talks with Jewish accent, standing in the Doorway of a building. This women is known to me as Bella Auslinger (not certain of spelling).

"Bella was noted at the Sunday forum and the evening Classes conducted at Adelphi Hall, from Sept 1957 to June 1958. She was also noted at the F.R.P. headquarters during the Gurley Flynn election campaign. To my knowledge she has no connection with the Sobell Committee or any of its activities."

This report is located in [redacted]

On 8/12/58, SA [redacted] exhibited the picture of BELLA ALTSCHULER which is maintained on her SI card and which is dated 9/15/55 to [redacted] and he identified it as being BELLA AUSLINGER.

On 8/12/58, [redacted] furnished SA [redacted] with the following handwritten report dated 8/12/58:

NY 100-107111

"8/12/58

"On the 12th of August I viewed a picture of a white female, about 60 years old, 5 ft 6 in, 150 lbs, white hair, heavy make up, lives in Bronx. This individual is known to me as Bella.

"Bella was noted at the Sobell office from July 1956 to August 1958. She was the summer office manager in 1957 and 1958 replacing Leah Schneider. Bella was also noted at P.R.P. headquarter during the Flynn Campaign. She was well known at the Flynn headquarter. In compiling a report on the structure and personnel of the N. Y. Sobell Committee, I mistakenly named Bella Auslinger (not certain of spelling) as the Bella who replaced Leah Schneider as office manager during the su the summer months, and as the Bella who gave financial reports.

"To my knowledge Bella Auslinger (not certain of spelling) has no connection with the Sobell Committee."

This report is located in [redacted] b6 b7C b7D

On 8/12/58, SA [redacted] exhibited the picture of BELLA HALEBSKY which is maintained as NY 100-82157-1A2, and which reflects it was taken in 1946, t[redacted] and he identified her as "BELLA."

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1 - NY 100-82157 (BELLA HALEBSKY)(12-10)

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Bella Altschuler incorrectly reported by informant. Should be Bella Halebsky. See NY memo 8/20/58, captioned "National Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell, IS - C."

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-133479) (7-3) DATE: 9/5/58

FROM : SA ARTHUR J. GREENE, JR. (7-3)

SUBJECT: YSA
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Identity of Source: [redacted] who has furnished reliable info in past (conceal).

Description of Info: Article by RICHARD DE HAAN dated 8/6/58 entitled "The Necrophiliacs."

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The following article was written by DE HAAN as Chairman of the YSA:

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1-NY 100-80644 (CP, USA, YOUTH MATTERS) (7-5)
1-NY 100-79717 (CP, USA, POLITICAL ACTIVITIES) (7-5)
1-NY 100-128812 (CP, NY DISTRICT, POLITICAL ACTIVITIES) (7-6)
1-NY 97-169 (THE WORKER) (7-5)
1-NY 100-133195 (RICHARD DE HAAN) (7-3)
1-NY 100-4013 (SWP NATIONAL) (7-3)
1-NY 100-97078 (SWP LOCAL) (7-3)
1-NY 100-79299 (MYRA TANNER WEISS) (7-3)
1-NY 100-100373 (GEORGE STRYKER) (7-4)
1-NY 100-4931 (CP USA) (7-6)
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THE NECROPHILIACS

By Richard DeHaan

The first question which an independent socialist should ask himself about the SWP-originated youth movement concerns his role vis-a-vis that party. It is unclear just what the purpose of the ideological confrontation currently being attempted is--as it is unclear how the actual political development of the IBM movement should be related to that of the SWP, if any. The present discussion constitutes a mere extension of the internal party debate to a slightly larger arena, although there remain large segments of it open only to adepts of the faith. This being so, what are its objectives? Does the party wish tactical advice? In possession of the truth, it hardly requires it. Does it wish our opinion of itself? I should have thought that our opinion was already expressed in the fact that we are outside the party, viz., that it should drop dead. The first problem, then, is how independent socialists can intelligently engage in a dialogue, only half of which is visible to the naked eye.

The second problem has to do with the SWP's commission of the ancient dialectical fallacy of confusing genesis with evolution. It has succumbed to the charges of our enemies in believing, or pretending to believe, that, because the SWP was instrumental in initiating this movement, it is therefore similarly responsible for its development. I am told that there are areas of the country in which the IBM movement receives the unqualified backing of the SWP. Within my experience, however, the party's relation to the youth movement has ranged from toleration through rivalry to sabotage. In addition, the organizational incompetence of many of its self-styled "Bolsheviks" and leaders of the proletariat in our movement is so pathetic as to cause one to wonder whether they should be allowed to walk the streets unaccompanied.

The party has in general availed itself of one of [illegible] party in its factional work within the IBM movement. The first is a policy of picking off singly whatever

individuals it can lay hands on, preferably rerouting their activities into party assignments, but if necessary allowing them to retain part-time commitments to the youth. During the early months of our movement, the party recruited, under this policy, a sizable number of our lukewarm youth contacts who to this day have difficulty in distinguishing between Trotskyism and a hole in the ground. Because there was a question as to whether this policy was doing more damage to the SWP than to the youth, it has recently turned to the second course. This policy is one of instructing such activists as it has allowed to remain in the youth movement to push the party line there for all it may be worth. It is expected that this policy will step by step move the youth movement en masse to the truth, there at last to find its home in the Una Sancta Ecclesia.

It is to this policy that I address myself in what follows. While party policy seems to be unified in this respect, the two areas of the periphery from which my information is drawn are those of the youth movement and the New York united ticket. It is especially in these two areas where a curious parallelism of party policy can be noted.

When faced with this line, as YSF readers have been unremittingly, one is first caused to wonder why a party of such theoretical poverty and galloping senescence makes bold to teach, rather than to learn. In YSF #3, for example, virtually every article is unstinting in the praise which the authors generously heap upon themselves as representatives of the true proletarian vanguard. Now, what is this policy of "revolutionary socialism" over which they are all so rapturous?

As expressed by one of its more moderate spokesmen, James P. Cannon, it is the regroupment of "the scattered socialist forces..,together in one common party organization." But what was only implicit in Cannon's remarks, the notion that this party should consist of the SWP and the remains of the CP (primarily the old PP and ALP), has now been made

explicit in many statements and actions of the party leadership. The amorous inclinations harbored by the SWP-PC towards this corpse have been announced in a series of doctrinal retreats, by the formation of several intra-party oppositional groups, by the disaffection of many individual members, and above all by its tactics in the regroupment arena. While a catalogue of these internal difficulties would, I am sure, be most interesting, the most important effect of this policy, that which affects the youth movement most strongly, is the tactical one.

Again, a lengthy catalogue of the party's tactical retreats could be given, but a few examples must suffice. I have been serving on what is now known as the State Committee of the Independent-Socialist Party, the governing body of that party. In conjunction with several other members of the committee. I have been forced time and time again in the last several months to oppose the SWP's conciliation of the Stalinoids there. (As a result of this bloc against the SWP, George Stryker, an ex-SPer from Long Island who is also on the committee, has been recruited to the YSA, and numerous other supporters of an independent revolutionary socialist position have been organized.) While each of these issues has been a lesson in united front politics in itself, perhaps the most instructive was that of the candidates.

Originally, a candidate of the stature of Myra Weiss for one of the top offices was discussed by the SWP leadership as being appropriate for the party's representation on the ticket. The party eventually watered this down to the suggestion of an unknown SWPer for the most minor place on the ticket. Yet, when the time came to push for this minimal position, the party leadership simply folded up. It refused even to put the proposal in the form of a motion so that it could be voted. The leadership concedes that a majority of the State Committee would support such a candidacy. Nevertheless it refused to push this, or any other independent candidacy, preferring instead a slate composed entirely of former ALP candidates.

After opposing this move in the State Committee, I went back to the YSA for a ratification of my position. The YSA endorsed unanimously the policy of tendency representation, and the following evening the YS Editorial Board did the same. The party still refused to budge. The most it could do in the interests of democracy was to issue dark warnings that I would likely find myself without support if I persisted in my deviationist tactics. Where it had previously said that a ticket without SWP representation would get only critical support from the party, it now gushed, in response to Worker attack, that its surrender simply proved how "pro-Soviet" it had been all the time. Every challenge to these conciliationist policies has been met with the traditional responses of demagogues everywhere: ominous remarks about upsetting the apple-cart, about the political life-expectancy of those unable to see "the big picture" (sic), and about the psychic quirks of those who foolishly insist on playing an independent role.

These tactics continue up to the present. Only last week neighborhood petition rallies were convened excluding SWPers and similar "anti-Soviet" types--this with the knowledge and consent of the SWP tops. The party has also announced its final surrender of those planks in its original Guardian ad calling for defense of civil liberties everywhere.

The tragedy of these tactics is that they are not even necessary to accomplish what it is that the party wants to accomplish. At the June 13-15 conference, it was voted by an overwhelming majority to repudiate further attempts by the Convening Committee (forerunner of the State Committee) to negotiate issues of substance with the CP. Nevertheless, the SWP tops fought a resolution introduced by Comrade Stryker, myself and several others, binding the Committee to this mandate. Similarly, the old ALP rank and file have shown themselves far advanced over their self-styled leaders in their disinclination to get involved in a repetition of the ALP. Comrade Stryker and I have had comments from literally dozens of these people endorsing our policies in attempting to preserve this as a truly united and democratic party.

The irony of these tactics is that, far from appeasing these people, they even tend to exclude them. Former top ALP leaders have stayed out of this ticket because of its close identification with those who did the hatchet job for the CP on the old ALP. In addition, many independents, such as Dr. Otto Nathan and Conrad Lynn, have steered clear because of the Stalinoid atmosphere. This is not to mention the many left-wing social democrats, third campers, pacifists and other independent socialists who are being frozen out by the SWP's conciliationist policies. Above all, however, the lack of a clear position on civil liberties, the Soviet Union, etc., renders it extremely difficult to appeal to innocents becoming interested in socialism for the first time. This absolutely fundamental task of the movement is being short-changed in favor of pacifying a pitifully few Stalinoids. The ticket has been subjected to attacks by both capitalist and socialist press for its silence on these crucial issues--for example, Hungary--, and has not had a word to say in its defense.

The SWP conceives its amours with the corpse of the CP to be still in the negotiation stage. It therefore refused to let the "bloc" become a democratic organ, despite the demands of the rank and file. Consequently, when an independent majority could be got for decent actions, the SWP demurs for fear of driving out the Stalinoid minority. It systematically ignores the facts of recent political life: (1) that the CP can no longer control its periphery, as demonstrated in the Flynn-Cowley campaign and at the June conference, (2) that there is no real danger of a split anyway, since the minority swallowed a much more bitter pill at that conference, a repudiation by the vast majority, and still came back, (3) that there is not enough left to raid, and (4) that it is largely itself and the YSA which constitutes the backbone of the actual campaign work.

Because the SWP and the Stalinoids consider this party to be fundamentally a bloc between themselves rather than the establishment of a truly independent socialist party, they have restricted the policy machinery to themselves. Platform, candidacies, finances, etc., have all been decided

by negotiation between the SWP and ALP tops, usually without the matter ever being submitted to the State Committee. Just this week, for example, the SWP united with the ALP to beat down a proposal to that committee by Comrade Stryker and myself that major policy statements and decisions be approved by it.

Now, this conciliationist line is being carried over fundamentally intact to the youth movement. All criticism of the line in the youth is countered by magisterial pronouncements that the ticket is of too great importance to be carping about. Here, too, a truly democratic structure has yet to be erected in place of the "bloc." Here, too, the conceit is harbored that a new movement can be built by reshuffling the remains of the SWP and CP--although in this case, they are the second-generation brats thereof in whom hope for the future of socialism is lodged. Here, too, a Stalinoid minority (but no other kind) can blackmail the majority. Here, too, the SWP majorityites line is negotiation with the corpse of the CP. That this line is being exported to the youth movement is evident from the policies which the SWP majorityites have been pushing for the forthcoming conference. Just as in the I-SP, while they do not particularly desire to exclude third camp and independent socialists, they are nevertheless ready to sacrifice them if that be required in order to get into bed with the LYLers. This is made clear above all by Comrade Lambrecht's line on the defense of the Soviet Union: an insistence that this one aspect of the total SWP position be singled out as a minimal condition of participation in the new national movement.

To exclude independent socialists from such a movement, to make the IBM movement an SWP tail, to follow the SWP in its disastrous course of organizational unity with the remains of the CP--this way lies madness and a repetition of the tragedies which have already reduced the movement to impotence. In a youth movement left free to criticize, in one dedicated wholeheartedly to the fight for socialism everywhere, in one uncompromised by suicidal liaisons with the discredited Fostorite hangers-on, in one oriented not towards negotiation but towards recruitment--here is the future of the socialist youth movement.

I have not meant to impugn, in what was said above, the sincerity and good will of the many individual SWP members who have supported the youth movement and the cause of independent socialism to the full extent of their abilities. Indeed, it is only the fact that so very many of them have forthrightly expressed themselves as opposed to the present policies of their leaders that gives me any hope for this alliance.

As SWP members, our SWP youth comrades are concerned with their party's fortunes. It so happens that the fortunes of the party at the present are tied, through the actions of its leaders, to the prospect of leading the Fosterite hangers-on into the paths of righteousness, i.e. of capturing them for the party. That is their business, and it may even be a legitimate project for them. But they can hardly expect others to share their pedagogical ambitions. What is illegitimate is the attempt to make the youth movement an offspring of this marriage of convenience. Independent socialists will fight that policy to its death.

New York City
6 August 1958

OFFICE MEMORANDUM UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, DETROIT DATE: 9/8/58

FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (100-135320)(7-3)

SUBJECT: INDEPENDENT SOCIALIST PARTY
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Identity of Source [redacted] who has furnished reliable information in past (conceal)

Description of info Week-end at Camp Wingdale, sponsored by ISP, 8/17/58, Pawling, N.Y.

Date received 8/21/58

Received by SA ARTHUR J. GREENE, JR. (written)

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1 - Albany (100-) [redacted] (Info)(RM)
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1 - NY 100-4013 (SWP)(7-3)
1 - NY 100-97078 (SWP, NY Local)(7-3)
1 - NY 100- (HAROLD DAVIES)(7-3)
1 - NY 100-100196 (MORRIS GOLDIN)
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1 - NY 100-80679 (HARRY RING) (7-3)
1 - NY 100-118388 [redacted] (7-3)
1 - NY 100-106192 [redacted] (7-3)
1 - NY 100-84414 (HENRY SPIRA) (7-3)
1 - NY 100-99495 (STEVE ZELUCK) (7-3)
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1 - NY 100-61363 (DAN ROBERTS) (7-3)
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1 - NY 100-131823 [redacted] (7-3)
1 - NY 100-133074 (ROSEMARY GORDON) (7-3)
1 - NY 100- (JOE LNU, At Camp Wingdale, Pawling, NY, 8/17/58, per [redacted] (7-4)
1 - NY 100- (ELKA SILVERN) (7-4)
1 - NY 100-79299 (MYRA WEISS) (7-3)
1 - NY 100-126922 (ESTHER PERRY) (7-3)
1 - NY 100- (FNU LNU, M, about 55, gray hair, 5'6", 170, fair with tan, chairman at Camp Wingdale on 8/17/58, per [redacted] (7-4)
1 - NY 100-80134 (FRANK LNU, middle aged, glasses, mustache, 5'8", 140, at Camp Wingdale on 8/17/58, per [redacted] possibly FRANK M. RODOLF) (7-3)
1 - NY 100-133557 [redacted] (7-3)

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Sunday, August 17, 1958.

Camp Wingdale, Pawling, N.Y. Independent Socialist Party

The main meeting for the day occured at 10:30, Sunday morning. The ocasion was the talk by Harold Davies, Labor Party M.P. By this time the number of guests at the camp had risen to four or five hundred. About three hundred people attended this meeting on the lawn. Among these were:

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Harold Davies
Morris Goldin
[redacted]
Eleanor Ferrie
[redacted]
[redacted]
Dan Roberts
Lillian
Vince Garcia
Hayden Perry

[redacted]
Harry Ring
[redacted]
Henry (SWP)
Steve (SWP)
Ralph (SWP)
[redacted] Rose Mary
Joe (Bklyn. SWP contact)
Elka Silvern
Myra Weiss
Esther Perry

The chairman of this meeting was another official of the camp. A man about 55, gray hair, 5'6", 170 lbs., fair with tan. He introduced Scott Gray, a farmer-lawyer who is running on the ISP ticket. He is a man about 55, gray hair and slight moustache, fair, 5'9", 150 lbs. He described himself as a fighter for civil liberties and civil rights and a farmer who will fight for the ticket and said that he expects the party being formed to play a great role in N.Y. State politics.

Ralph who is from the Bronx described the chairman of the meeting above mentioned as "an old C.P. hack from the Bronx."

Mr. Davies who was the main speaker of the meeting and took the rest of the time. He discussed his tour of Europe and the Middle East. He told of the desires everywhere for peace

from the throngs in Moscow who tried to question him to workers in East Berlin. He refused to engage in any outright criticism of American foreign policy because he said he was a guest in this country and said he would not tell American how to run their affairs. He told of the great fears everywhere of atomic warfare and how the British Labor Party had been able several times to act to prevent possible blow-ups. He referred to the British-French Suez campaign and the Korean war dismisssal of MacArthur as evidence of the influence which the British Labor Party has had and pointed out the structure of the party which rests on the trade unions. He said the tactic to be followed is to build the labor forces and then to organize politically. It cannot be done the other way round which is the way it is being done in America and France. However this does not mean that because Labor's political conscience is asleep that no attempt to build socialist parties should not be attempted and it was here that he gave his praise of the ISP attempt to build a socialist party in New York State. He told of how gratified he was to see the people he saw at Camp Wingdale and how it had increased his high hopes for America in building socialism. Hesaid there was nothing like it in England. He said that the American labor movement was slow getting started but took great leaps and strides and likewise it will be with socialism once the working masses catch on it catch fast and leap far ahead of many other countries.

He said the main task in the present crisis was like other such crises which is to keep America and the Soviet Union from blundering into war because of accidents and foolish moves by hotheads.

Eleanor Ferrie took the floor to ask for an auction of some of Mr. Davies pamphlets which he autographed. She pointed out that she and a group of friends had first invited Mr. Davies to come and addresss American audiences especially labor groups on peace and socialism and that a whole tour had been mapped out for him the climax of which would be a meeting in San Francisco with the atomic scientist Dr. Linus Pauling on the issues of atomic testing. She said that she had borrowed a thousand dollars

for the Davies tour in America and that when she wrote to Mr. Davies asking him to make the tour she told him he could get no fee but that she promised him it would not cost him anything. She then asked that the collection and auction be taken up. This brought her into conflict with the chairman who wanted the audienceto ask questions of Mr. Davies. Eleanor was afraid that the people in the audience would start to leave and wanted the collection taken right away. The chairman refused and much unpleasantness followed in which the chairmnan threatened to resign, Mr. Davies tried to mediate and asked that the two groups not quarrel. He asked the audience not to go away as Miss Ferrie feared they might and the question period continued. The collection was taken up after the questions.

Afterwards the comments of some of the factions involved in the dispute were heard. It seems the chairman who is a Wingdale manager was not aware that the ISP was controlling that particular meeting and said that if he had known he would never have chaired it. He denounced the unwholesome elements of the ISP and pitied Mr. Davies who was brought here under their auspices.

[redacted] said that on the whole the week-end was a great success for the ISP and the SWP. He said that a good deal of money was raised for the united ticket and and many C.P members at the camp were approached and many broke their party discipline and signed the petition. He said that the opportunity of talking to many of the rank and filers was well worth the week-end. b6 b7C

On the way home on Sunday, Frank, a middle aged man, glasses, moustache, 5'8", 140 lbs., card salesman, formerly SWP, who split with the Cochranites told of some of his experiences in getting petitions in some of the counties upstate with Ethel from Detroit and [redacted] He and [redacted] ended up fighting because [redacted] stole his vodka. Also in the group was a young mannamed [redacted] SWP from Detroit, a youth, whom he suspected of being an FBI agent because he was taking notes and writing letters. He, Steve and Ralph and Vince Garcia got into the same car going home. Steve is in the N.Y. Local, 30, glasses, fair, 5'9", 165 lbs. Steve lives in Mt. Vernon, Ralph in the Bronx and Vince in Brooklyn.

Director, FBI (100-3-69) 9-8-58

SAC, Memphis (100-2198)

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Relet Bureau to New York, copies to all offices, dated August 7, 1958, asking for an organizational analysis of the CP within the territory of each office.

It will be noted that by letter dated February 19, 1958, the Bureau advised Memphis that in view of the recent inactivity of the CP within the territory of the Memphis FBI Division, that in the future CP membership figures for the Memphis Division should be reported as non-existent or zero when the Memphis Division submitted its quarterly reports relative to the CP.

In accordance therewith, reference is made to the report of SA WILLIAM H. LAWRENCE, dated July 14, 1958 at Memphis, entitled "Communist Party, USA, Southern Region, Memphis Division; IS-C," in which the CP membership was listed as zero within the territory of the Memphis FBI Division.

The Memphis FBI has had live informant coverage within the CP beginning in early 1952 with one informant. This coverage gradually increased until in 1953 and 1954 and continuing until the present time there have been four informants, currently sources, in Memphis who were active CP members up until the CP in Memphis became inactive due to lack of leadership and lack of contact with any other CP region in 1956. Based on information independently furnished by these four sources, coupled with independently furnished information by other Field Divisions which tended to corroborate information furnished by these informants, coupled with documented information contained in the possession of JUNIUS IRVING SCALES,

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Southern CP leader, who was arrested in Memphis on November 18, 1954, it appears that the information furnished by these informants was most accurate.

These sources have stated down through the years that LAWRENCE EDWARD McGURTY, 3658 Townes Avenue, Memphis, Tennessee, consistently from 1952 until the Summer of 1956 served as the Memphis CP Chairman and also at various times as its secretary.

During this period McGURTY was the liaison man or contact man between the CP in Tennessee, and Memphis in particular, and the National Office of the CP and the Southern Regional Committee of the CP in New York City. He continued to give leadership until he gradually withdrew in the Summer of 1956, when he told various sources that he was no longer an active dues paying organized member of the CP.

His wife, MILDRED McGURTY, who had been a rank and file CP member during the period 1952 through 1956, and who had assisted LAWRENCE McGURTY in carrying out organized CP activities, continued to meet with various informants in the capacity of a Communist until the Fall of 1957. In fact, in the Fall of 1957, MILDRED McGURTY spoke with other informants concerning the possibility of renewing CP activities in Memphis.

This came to an end when on October 28 and 29, 1957, the Internal Security Subcommittee of the Committee of the Judiciary, U. S. Senate, held hearings in Memphis relative to Communism in the Mid-South area. Unfortunately for this Bureau, the Senate Committee subpoenaed every person known to the Memphis Office to have been active in the CP since the early 1950's, with the exception of the above described four informants and sources of the Memphis Office who had been active in the CP since the early 1950's. This omission of subpoenaing the informants was an immediate tip-off to the CP that these people were in all probability government informants.

In addition, the Senate Committee in asking public questions of various hostile witnesses during the hearing, utilized in raw, unparaphrased form detailed information concerning CP activities in Memphis during the 1950's, which had exclusively been furnished to the FBI by the above mentioned four informants.

This fact merely pinpointed them to the Communist Party as in all probability being informants of the Federal Government.

As a result LAWRENCE McGURTY ceased having any contact with any of these informants but gradually in the Spring of 1958 began seeing one source, namely, [redacted] b7D [redacted].

As recently as May, 1958, LAWRENCE McGURTY told [redacted] that McGURTY had been visited in the Spring of 1958 by a White female CP functionary from New York City. He did not identify this person, nor did he describe in any detail the nature of this person's visit. McGURTY did state that this female functionary had criticized McGURTY for having dropped out of the CP and for having ceased his CP leadership therein.

McGURTY, according to [redacted] still talks as a Communist but insists that he is no longer a formal CP member. McGURTY has thus far not indicated to [redacted] whether or not he will return to the organized CP fold.

Corroboration of the recent feelings of McGURTY has been furnished by [redacted] who feels that McGURTY is still a Communist at heart but is not an active CP member at the present time.

The New York Division, through its coverage of the Southern Regional Committee, has since identified the female who visited McGURTY in April, 1958 as being MIRIAM FRIEDLANDER, who in the Spring of 1958 was serving as Southern Field Secretary of the Southern Regional Committee.

There has never in recent years been any known formal CP activity in any other area within the territory of the Memphis FBI Division. In this connection, it will be noted in June of 1956, two Negro CP members moved from Cincinnati, Ohio to Nashville, Tennessee. These persons were [redacted] and [redacted] and were told on leaving Cincinnati that their CP membership would in all probability be transferred through the National Office of the CP to Nashville. This transfer has never taken place and these sources have continuously attempted to learn through their Cincinnati

contacts why their CP membership has not been transferred. Thus far they have received no satisfactory answer.

In addition, suspicion naturally falls on the CP in the Memphis territory by virtue of the fact that JUNIUS IRVING SCALES, Smith Act subject, was arrested by Memphis FBI Agents in Memphis on November 18, 1954 at the very moment that he was to make a rendezvous with LAWRENCE E. McGURTY and an informant of the Memphis Office.

The damaging portion of this arrest resulted from the fact that only SCALES, the informant, and McGURTY knew that SCALES would be at this rendezvous at the time of the arrest. Continuously since the time of the arrest, various CP functionaries working out of the National Office and the Southern Regional Committee Office of the CP in New York have conducted investigations and inquiries relative to the circumstances of SCALES' arrest and have severely grilled LAWRENCE E. McGURTY and his wife MILDRED McGURTY and various Memphis FBI Informants concerning this arrest.

Despite the suspicion which surrounded LAWRENCE McGURTY, he did, in fact, serve as Memphis CP Chairman until the Summer of 1956. During the Spring of 1956 the successor to JUNIUS SCALES, insofar as National CP contacts with Memphis were concerned, one [redacted] ROBERT HANDMAN, came to Memphis and arranged through McGURTY for two Negro informants of this office to attend a CP meeting with representatives of the Southern Regional Committee in New York in June of 1956. These informants did go to New York, their trip being paid for by the Southern Regional Committee, and there in June of 1956 met with [redacted] and a Negro CP functionary, HUNTER PITTS O'DELL, the latter using the alias of JAMES O'DELL and [redacted] indicated that these informants were to return to Memphis and continue to meet with LAWRENCE McGURTY and attempt to increase their activity, particularly in mass organizations. b6 b7C

On their return to Memphis they were met with a considerable degree of apparent jealousy on the part of LAWRENCE McGURTY, immediately following which McGURTY told them that he was leaving the CP and would not be a formal member thereof subsequent to August of 1956.

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Letter to Bureau 9-8-58

All available information to this office since that time has substantiated the lack of formal activity of LAWRENCE McGURTY in the CP.

McGURTY has been interviewed on four different occasions since April of 1957 and has made no effort to hide from this Bureau his continued sympathy to the theory of Communism. He speaks freely of his sympathy to Communism and Scientific Socialism but steadfastly maintains that he is no longer a formal CP member; that he cannot afford to be for economic reasons, in that he continuously loses his job allegedly because of his CP activity.

At the present time LAWRENCE McGURTY is visiting relatives in Chicago, Illinois and there is some possibility that he may sell his home in Memphis and move to another city, possibly Chicago, in order to gain employment. He has been unemployed since October of 1957, his unemployment compensation has since ceased and he has apparently used up his bank savings and is now confronted with the possibility of either getting a job in Memphis in the near future or having to move to another city in order to obtain employment.

Thus far there have been no contacts between any person in the CP in the Memphis Division with any outside CP functionary other than the contact of LAWRENCE McGURTY and his wife MILDRED with MIRIAM FRIEDLANDER in April of 1958.

The New York Division has, in the past several months, developed information through its coverage of the Southern Regional Committee that the CP has not completely ignored Tennessee or Mississippi, portions of both of which are covered by the Memphis FBI Division, but no specific information has been forthcoming concerning any organized activity in either the Norther Judicial District of Mississippi or the Middle and Western Judicial Districts of Tennessee covered by the Memphis FBI Office.

This office continues to maintain contact with the four sources who have been active CP members in Memphis in the past and with the two sources in Nashville, and in addition with [redacted] LAWRENCE McGURTY [redacted] b7D [redacted] from them concerning their CP activity.

It is felt that through one or more of these sources that any knowledge of any future CP activity in the Memphis territory will be gained. The only other possibility would be that the CP might send colonizers into the Memphis territory who would not have any contact whatsoever with the established sources of this office.

This office will continue to endeavor as it has in the past to give full and effective coverage to any possible CP activity which may develop in the future in its territory.

For the benefit of the New York Office in compiling its membership figures, it will be noted that there has been no formal CP registration within the territory of the Memphis FBI Division since 1956 when [redacted] made her last trip to Memphis. At that time there were six CP members in Memphis, including LAWRENCE E. McGUNTY, his wife, MILDRED McGUNTY, and the four Bureau sources. b6 b7C

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: SAC, DETROIT (...) DATE: 9/9/58

FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (100-97078)

SUBJECT: NY LOCAL, SWP
IS-SWP

Identity of Source [redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past (conceal) b6 b7C b7D

Description of info Report re meeting NY Local, SWP, 8/21/58, 116 University Place, NYC

Date Received 8/28/58

Received by SA ARTHUR J. GREENE, JR. (written

Original location [redacted]

Utmost care must be used in handling and reporting the following information in order to protect the identity of the informant.

A copy of informant's report follows:

2 - Detroit (RM)
(1 - Detroit 100-22520) [redacted]
(1 - Detroit 100-26422)
2 - San Francisco (61-380) (SWP) (RM)
(1 - San Francisco CP, USA)
2 - Seattle (100-3864) (SWP) (RM)
(1 - Seattle (100-) (CP, USA)
1 - New York [redacted] (7-3)
1 - New York (100-135089) [redacted] -3)
1 - New York (100-133468) (7-3)
1 - New York (100-131823)
1 - New York (100-133074) (ROSEMARY GORDON) (7-3)
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1 - New York (100-88179) [redacted] (7-3)
1 - New York (100-129862) [redacted] (7-3)
1 - New York (100-85923) [redacted] (7-3)
1 - New York (100-98655) [redacted] (7-3)
1 - New York (100-126921) (HAYDEN PERRY) (7-3)
1 - New York (100-84574) [redacted] (7-3)
1 - New York (100-93735) [redacted] -3)
1 - New York (100-93935) [redacted] (7-3)
1 - New York (100-134032) [redacted] (7-3)
1 - New York (100-132959) (JOHN HODSON) (7-3)
1 - New York (100-135101) (VINCE GARCIA) (7-3)
1 - New York (100-131513) [redacted] (7-3)
1 - New York (100-125922) (ESTHER PERRY) (7-3)
1 - New York (100-92801) (ETHEL BLOCH) (7-3)
1 - New York (100-122237) [redacted]
1 - New York (100-122864) [redacted] (7-3)
1 - New York (100-59476) (MORRIS STEIN) (7-3)
1 - New York (100-95327) [redacted] 7-3)
1 - New York (100-127167) [redacted] (7-3)
1 - New York (100-130558) [redacted] (7-3)
1 - New York (100-134977) [redacted] (7-3)
1 - New York (100-60264) (MURRY WEISS) (7-3)
1 - New York (100-128164) [redacted] (7-3)
1 - New York (100-112158) [redacted] (7-3)
1 - New York (100-59096) (TOM KERRY) (7-3)
1 - New York (100-135320) (ISP)(7-3)
1 - New York (100-123947) (MARK KLEIN) (7-3)
1 - New York (100-8522) (ALP) (7-1)
1 - New York (100-93572) (NATIONAL GUARDIAN) (7-1)
1 - New York (100-98816) (BERT WAINER) (7-3)
1 - New York (100-4931) (CP, USA) (7-6)
1 - New York (100-4013) (SWP) (7-3)

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NY 100-97078

Report written August 23, 1958.

Meeting Socialist Workers Party New York Local

116 University Place, New York, N.Y. August 21, 1958.

Present at the meeting were:

[redacted] Rose Mary
Vince & Libby Copeland
[redacted]
Hayden Perry
[redacted]

[redacted]
John Hodson
Vince Garcia
[redacted]
Esther Perry
Ethel Bloch

[redacted]
Morris Stein
[redacted]
Mark
[redacted]
Murry Weiss

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[redacted]
Tom Kerry

Comrade [redacted] was elected chairman of the meeting. He announ__ the postponement of the educational by Comrade Morris Stein until the next meeting because of a report by Murry Weiss on the ISP campaign. This was voted along with a motion to omit next week's meeting because of pressure of the signature campaign, the rally by the ISP and the Labor Day week-end at Mountain Spring Camp [redacted] took reservations for the labor day week-end and the ISP rally was announced for next Wednesday night at Adelphi Hall.

After the intermission for the payment of dues and pledges, Murry Weiss gave his report. He began with some solemn words on the anniversary of the assassination of Trotsky by the Stalinists some eighteen years ago. He linked this crime of the Stalinists bureaucracy to the ISP campaign here in New York State. He said that this campaign was the

medium by which we are building the Trotskyist party. He reviewed the history of the formation of th ISP and the Stalinist attempt to smash it. He reported the latest developments. Many of the Stalinist rank and file are wavering under the pressure of the C.P. leadership which has now embarked on an all-out campaign to wreck the ticket. All of the candidates have responded to the Stalinist attempt by refusing to resign from the ticket.

He said the key to the success of the new party is now in the signature campaign which is lagging in the city whereas upstate it has been successful. The goal is still 20,000 signatures for the city. The SWP must go all out in the signature campaign and toward this end a whole crew of fulltime petitioners have been set up. He stressed that the whole ISP campaign will fail and the SWP will fail if the required signatures are not gotten in the next ten days.

He told the comrades that the whole country had its eyes on New York State. A San Francisco conference had been called similar to the one called last June in New York composed of the same elements, SWP members, C.P. rank and filers, ALP and Guardianites for the purpose of waging a campaign for socialism in California next Spring. Also in Seattle, Washington a similar conference was held composed of the exact same forces. There is one in process in the Bay area. Everything hinges on the getting of the required signatures in New York. If the signatures are gotten there is great hope for the party nationally. The party considers this so important that if enough signatures are not gotten by Labor Day week-end, the SWP will cancell the all-important Labor Day week-end. This will mean an important loss in revenue for the party which could mean that there will be no Trotskyist school this fall. The leadership considers the campaign of sufficient importance that it is willing to risk this.

He then went into a pep-talk for all out drives for the required signatures. He said that there was no abandonment

of party principles involbed. It is rather a strengthening of the Trotskyist position aimed at the building of a revolutionary, proletarian, bolshevik party in America.

Bert took pleges of signatures from the members. The total number of pledges came to over 7,000.

[redacted] challenged Murry Weiss in linking the ISP campaign to the assassination of Trotsky. He challenged Murry Weiss' assumption that Trotsky might have favored the ISP campaign. He said that Trotsky just before he was killed, urged the running of S.W.P. candidates and only uniting with other parties under extreme conditions. b6 b7C

This was challenged by Morris Stein who asserted that Trotsky favored campaign of Earl Browder and even. John L. Lewis.

Tom Kerry gave an emotional appeal for the signature drive. He urged the comradesnot to make it necessary to cancel the Labor Day week-end.

SAC, NEW YORK (100-135320)(7-3) 9/9/58

SA ROBERT E. JENKINS (7-4)

INDEPENDENT SOCIALIST PARTY
IS - MISC

Identity of Source [redacted] who has furnished reliable information in past (conceal)

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Description of info Info re Independent Socialist Party, 8/21/58

Date received 8/26/58

Received by SA ROBERT E. JENKINS (written)

Original location [redacted]

Utmost care must be used in handling and reporting the following information in order to protect the identity of the informant.

A copy of informant's report follows:

1 - [redacted] (Inv)(7-4)
1 - NY 100-135254 (RONALD GLASS)(7-4)
1 - NY 100-125023 (AARON KIMCHE)(7-4)
1 - NY 100-125022 (VERA KIMCHE)(7-4)
1 - NY 100- [redacted] AARON KIMCHE [redacted] (7-4)
1 - NY 100-4931 (CP, USA)(7-5)
1 - NY 100-135320 (7-3)

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NY 100-135320

Aug. 24-1958

Thursday evening, Aug. 21st

Ronald Glass stopped at Kemchi's home. Vera's [redacted] was spending the last part of her vacation at Kemchi's. Kemchi, [redacted] and Ronald Glass were discussing the Independent Socialist Party. [redacted] asked (quote)_ b6 b7C

Could the Independent Socialist Party interfere or hurt the Communist Party in any way. (unquote)_

Kemchi answered, (quote) I don't believe that the Communist Party can be hurt in any way by the Independent Socialist Party. But, that if the membership of the Communist Party were members of the Independent Socialist Party they soon could control the party and could put up their own candidates. (unquote)

SAC, NEW YORK (100-9365) 9/11/58

SA JOHN L. FAGAN (7-5)

WILLIAM Z. FOSTER
IS - C; SA - '40; ISA - '50

Source	NY 1697-S*
Reliability	Who has furnished reliable information in the past.

In the event the following information is used, care must be taken with its dissemination due to the sensitive nature of the informant.

NY 1697-S* advised on 9/5/58, that JACK (SHULMAN) told FOSTER, on that date, that an article by JAMES ALLEN about The American Rules (PH) of Socialism, referring to the Draft Program Committee, would be published in Political Affairs.

1 - New York (100-4931) (CP, USA) (7-5)
1 - New York (100-111666) (JACK SHULMAN) (7-5)
1 - New York (100-32826) (JIM ALLEN) (7-2)
1 - New York (100-9365)

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SAC, NEW YORK (100-26603) (7-6) 9/16/58

SA JAMES P. HALLERON, #7-0

CP, NYS
IS-C

Identity of Source [redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past (conceal) b7D

Description of info NYS CP is starting a campaign to recruit 600 new members into the CP

Date received 9/2/58

Received by SA JAMES P. HALLERON (written)

Original location [redacted]

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A copy of informant's report follows:

1 [redacted] Inv) (7-0)
1 - NY 100-4931 (CP, USA) (7-5)
1 - NY 100-129629 (WILLIAM ALBERTSON) (7-6)
1 - NY 100-102025 (AL NAIDICH) (7-0)
1 - NY 100-26603 (7-6)

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NY 100-26603

Report — Communist Party U.S.A. Activities — Aug. 29, 1953 New York.

Bill Albertson, N.Y. State Secretary of the C.P., told Al Waldich that he was elected (at the last meeting of the N.Y. State Committee of the C.P.) to membership in the National Committee of the Communist Party U.S.A. Albertson also said that the N.Y. State Committee is starting a campaign to recruit 600 new members into the Communist Party. "The recruiting drive is suppose to end on Dec. 31st, 1953 but I doubt if we will reach this goal by that time. I think we will have to extend the recruiting campaign for another 3 months.

Albertson said that all party organizations in the State (N.Y.) will be asked to concentrate on the recruiting of former party members. "It is of the outmost importance to get back at least some of the former members of the party: many of them are experienced workers and were active party functionaries. Getting some of them back will help to strengthen the party and at the same time it will weaken the anti-party groups in which some of the former party members are playing a leading role."

Albertson said that the Communist Party will celebrate its 39th anniversary in Carnegie Hall in New York on September 26th, 1953. "The party would like to have 100 new members recruited in New York to the anniversary. We hope that the counties will manage to do it."

O F F I C E M E M O R A N D U M * UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-17375) Date 9/2/58

FROM: SA LEO V. LA RUE

SUBJECT: LOS ANGELES LOCAL-
SOCIALIST WORKERS PARTY (LAL-SWP)
IS-SWP

SOURCE	ACTIVITY	RECEIVED	AGENT	LOCATION
[redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past and whose identity should be concealed	Public Meeting 8/9/58	8/21/58	writer	[redacted]

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Informant furnished an oral report on 8/21/59, concerning the above function, which was transcribed by Steno [redacted] and signed by the informant on 8/27/58.

cc: [redacted]

100-56733 (G. DAVIS)
100-56521 (V. DAVIS)
100-29455 (A. APPEL)
100-33697 (C. APPEL)
100-34520 (E. BANKS)
100-24035 (E. BROADY)
100-24119 (O. BROADY)
100-43269 (P. BUCH)
100- [redacted]
100-54859 (O. COOVER)
100-30389 (C. FEINGOLD)
100-29463 [redacted]
100-22467 (A. LEWIS)
100-22943 (S. LEWIS)
100-19949 (D. MC CREARY)
100-49851 (E. NOVACK)
100-48285 (G. NOVACK)
100-54959 (D. PARROTT)
100-56001 [redacted]
100-40765
100-29374 (A. SNIPER)
100-29648 (M. SNIPPER)

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VINCENT HALLINAN
J. REZA

3-NEW YORK (REGISTERED) OK me
CP
UST
FRANK WILKINSON

100-29661 (M. STARK)
100-23383 (S. STARK)
100-30670 (E. THORNTON)
100-52149 (L. VIDA)
100-16439 (F. WILKINSON)
100-41016 (CCPAF)
100-4486 (D. HEALEY)
100-50 (J. FOX)
100-7500 (R. BOROUGH)
100-4693 (L. GALLAGHER)

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The report is as follows:

"August 21, 1958

"On 8/9/58 I attended a public meeting at 5925 South Figueroa Street, Los Angeles, California. The purpose of this meeting was to hear a speech by VINCENT HALLINAN concerning the United Socialist Ticket (UST) of New York. This meeting was sponsored by a number of organizations and individuals, including the Communist Party (CP) and the Socialist Workers Party. HALLINAN stated his criticism of the CP while in New York concerning their activity with the UST was political and constructive and should not be considered as slander of the CP. He stated the movement in New York should take hold here in California and proposed that the group of sponsors for this meeting should get together and form a continuation committee in order to carry on socialist activity in the election arena.

"FRANK WILKINSON, a sponsor, announced that the Citizens Committee to Preserve American Freedoms (CCPAF) is going to hold a 'fight back' meeting for the 70 people who have received subpoenaes from the Un-American Activities Committee.

"A question and answer period followed the speech of HALLINAN and the announcement of WILKINSON.

"There were about 350 people present, of whom I recognized the following:

DOROTHY HEALEY
JACK FOX
JUDGE TOTTEN
REUBEN BORROUGH
LEO GALLAGHER
GEORGE DAVIS
CARL FEINGOLD
[redacted]
ANN & MITT SNIPPER
JOE ROSS
GEORGE & EVELYN WARDE
[redacted]
EMILY THORNTON
OSCAR COOVER
DELLA MC CREARY
ERROLL BANKS
OTTO & ELEANOR BROADY

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VINCENT HALLINAN
VERNON DAVIS
LEA VIDA
[redacted]
[redacted] from San Francisco
DON PARROTT
SAM & MAY STARK
[redacted] & SHIRLEY [redacted]
AL & SOPHIA LEWIS
FRANK WILKINSON

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ACTION

Informant was thoroughly interviewed and could furnish no additional information.

All necessary action in connection with this memo has been taken by the writer.

OFFICE MEMORANDUM UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-115575) DATE: 9/9/58

FROM : SA [redacted] (12-15)

SUBJECT : PEOPLE'S RIGHTS PARTY
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Identity of Source: [redacted] who has furnished reliable info in past (conceal)

Description of info: PRP Headquarters

Date Received: 8/28/58

Received by: SA [redacted] (written)

Original located: [redacted]

Utmost care must be used in handling and reporting the following information in order to protect the identity of the informant.

A copy of informant's report follows:

1-Newark (105-3413)(RM)(EDNA LEWIS)
1-New York [redacted] (Inv.) (12-15)
1-New York (100-91911) (JESSE GRAY) (12-15)
1-New York (100-88013) (SOPHIE LNU, at PRP Headquarters, 8/22/58)(12-15)
1-New York (100-65599) (EDNA LEWIS)
1-New York (100-64187) (JAMES MALLOY)
1-New York (100-27452) (BOB THOMPSON) (7-5)
1-New York (100-23825) (BEN DAVIS) (7-5)
1-New York (100-) (HERBERT WILLIAMS)
1-New York (100-54555) (EVELYN WIENER) (12-14)
1-New York (100-79025) (MILDRED MC ADORY) (12-15)
1-New York (100-) (MARY LEE)
1-New York (100-117546) (FREEMAN ROBINSON) (12-15)
1-New York (100-126119) (DOROTHY DAILEY) (12-15)
1-New York (100-128812) (CP, USA, DIST.2, POLITICAL ACTIVITIES)(7-6)
1-New York (100-1696) (ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN) (7-5)
1-New York (100-) (MARTIN LUTHER KING)
1-New York (100-) (REV. FNU HARTEN)
1-New York (100-4931) (CP, USA) (7-5)
1-New York (100-26603) (CP, USA, NYD) (7-6)
1-New York (100-87211) (CP, USA FACTIONALISM) (7-5)
1-New York (100-133903) (CP, USA, DIST.2, INFILT. OF CHURCHES) (7-6)
1-New York (100-115575) (7-1)

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NY 100-115575

REPORT 8/26/58

Activity at Peoples Rights Party Hq.
306 Lenox Ave. TR 6-8860
8/22/58 7:30-9:45 p.m.

Among those present: Jesse Gray, Sophie (last name ?); Edna Lewis (note last name); Jimmy Malloy (see below); Bob Thompson; Ben Davis; Herbert Williams; Evelyn Weiner; Mildred MacAdory; Mary Lee (Jewish wife of Chinese Sammy Lee, last name previously unknown); many others; Freeman Robinson; Dorothy Dailey, Ben Davis.

What happened (details below): Canvassers in and out. D. Dailey spoke with Freeman, Jesse Gray*, Edna, Herbie Williams*, Mary, Ben Davis. She also mailed out copies of the press release on Ben's meeting with the Baptists (copies not yet available); and ran off on the mimeo machine the leaflet the_ cut yesterday. Bob & Ben spoke to the canvassers.

Details: Jimmy Malloy seems to be in charge of the paper work, except assignment of canvassers. (His name given erroneously in last report as Hicks. Who is Hicks?- Someone else, but who?) He asked Dot to run off leaflet- available later-and to help send out press release. It went to all metropolitan dailies, including Diario & La Prensa, and to the Negro weeklies & all the news services.

Dot, in conversation with Edna, mentioned having wanted to work in Eliz (G. Flynn's) campaign, but being sick at the time. Edna asked her if she were a CP member. Dot said, "No, not now, but at heart I am." This pleased Edna.

When Ben arrived Dot was at the mimeo machine, and he went over and greeted her warmly. Later, after his speech, she went over to say goodbye, & he asked anxiously if she were going to be back, commenting again on how glad he was to see her. When she said, "Of course," he seemed delighted.

Millie was present, but seemed to have little to say. Some one else (Negro man, stout, round boyish face, though obviously middle-aged) opened the meeting for her, since she had a sore throat.

He introduced Bob Thompson, who spoke briefly on "Never have so many owed so much to so few"--meaning the good job being done by the canvassers.

Then Ben spoke for some 20 minutes. He reported in detail on his meeting with the ministers (essentially as reported by Jesse-they went together), confessing that he was surprised himself at his warm and completely unprecedented reception. He quoted Rev. Harten as saying if nothing happened at the meeting but Ben's speech, the trip to the conference was worth-while!

Ben said he had expressed the PRP's regrets to the conference for the recent death of Rev. Isaac (35 yr. pastor of Union Baptist-health broken in the So. Carolina school integration fight--one of the pioneers). He attended Isaac's funeral this A.M. While standing outside in the overflow crowd, he saw Martin Luther King leave the church. He went up & introduced himself & King said "I know you." Ben congratulated him on his work. King said how glad he was to see Ben back among his people to lead the fight. Ben asked what he was doing in the Wilson case & King admitted "not as much as I should." However, he was going back to get into action on it---and asked Ben to continue organizing support on the N.Y. end!!!

Ben greeted the CP members present, and had a special word for the non-members who have also been working hard. He said there is no conflict of interest between the PRP & the CP-nor between either & the people of Harlem.

Ben cited the real unity in the CP-despite those who tried to divide it from within-as against the schisms in Dem.,Reps & Lib parties. He said out of the inner-party struggles is emerging a new strong unity "a new Party!"

* Separate report on this discussion.

STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, New York (100-4931) DATE: September 10, 1958

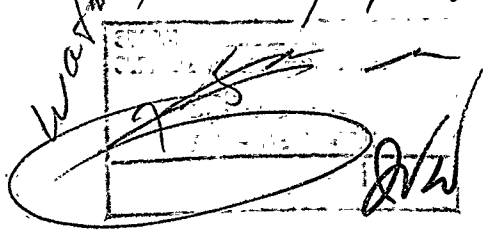
FROM : Director, FBI (100-3)

SUBJECT: COMMUNIST PARTY, USA
IS-C

Reurlet 8-29-58 concerning the Party's national organizational structure.

It is noted that on page two of relet the names of the national committee members elected from the New York District are set forth. Review of these names reflects that the name of William Colavito is not included therein. Advise promptly as to why this individual's name is not included as a national committee member from the New York District.

Watson 100-4931-12089



OFFICE MEMORANDUM UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: SAC, NEW YORK (100-132430)

DATE: 9/11/58

FROM: SA W. J. DANIELSON, Jr. (12-0)

SUBJECT: CP, USA NEW YORK DISTRICT
INDUSTRIAL DIVISION, INDUSTRIAL BOARD
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Source	NY 2335-S*
Reliability	Who is in a position to furnish reliable information
Date of Activity	7/9/58
Date Received	7/9/58
Agents to Whom Furnished	ANDREW STERTZER and [redacted]

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1 - New York (100-128808) (CP, USA, NYD, STRATEGY IN INDUSTRY)(7-6)
1 - New York (100-4931) (CP, USA) (7-5)
1 - New York (100-128314-F) (CP, USA, NYD, INDUSTRIAL FUNDS) (7-6)
1 - New York (100-132505) (DISTRIBUTIVE REGION) (12-14)
1 - New York (100-100713) (COMINFIL DISTRICT-65) (7-1)
1 - New York (100-128817) (CP, USA, NYD, MEMBERSHIP) (7-6)
1 - New York (100-128814) (CP, USA, NYD, ORGANIZATION) (7-6)
1 - New York (97-169) (WORKER) (7-2)
1 - New York (100-132488) (GARMENT REGION) (12-15)
1 - New York (100-132490) (CULTURAL REGION) (12-14)
1 - New York (100-26018) (LOUIS WEINSTOCK) (7-5)
1 - New York (100-64662) (JACK FINN) (12-14)
1 - New York (100-56) (MIKE DAVIDOW) (7-6)
1 - New York (100-86094) (LOUIS DINNERSTEIN) (12-12)
1 - New York (100-103971) (SI PERLMUTTER) (12-13)
1 - New York (100-130304) (EUNICE TUCKER) (12-15)
1 - New York (100-128532) (PETE BALDINO) (7-6)
1 - New York (100-128888) [redacted] (12-11)
1 - New York (100-22864) (ADAM CLAYTON POWELL) (12-15)
1 - New York (100-50094) (ESTHER CANTOR) (7-6)
1 - New York (100-13203) (GEORGE MORRIS) (12-11)
1 - New York (100-132430)
1 - New York (100-113909) (GEORGE GORCHOFF) (12-10)
1 - New York (100-109560) (PAUL SCHWARTZ) (12-11)
1 - New York (100-135724) [redacted] (12-14)
1 - New York (100-84066) (PETE GOODMAN) (12-10)

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NY 2335-S* advised on 7/9/58, that on the date, information was received that a meeting of the Industrial Board, Industrial Division, New York State CP was held in Room Adelphi Hall, 74 5th Avenue, NYC.

The names in parenthesis are the opinion of the reporting agent and should not be construed as positive identification. In the event it becomes necessary to disseminate any of the following information care should be taken to protect the identity of the informant.

The following names of individuals were mentioned as being in attendance at the meeting:

LOUIS WEINSTOCK
JACK FINN
MIKE DAVIDOW
LOUIS FROM DISTRIBUTIVE (DINNERSTEIN)
ESTHER CANTOR
GEORGE GORCHOFF
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MARTIN (YOUNG)

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1 - New York (100-62773) (ROSE PODMAKA) (12-13)
1 - New York (100-21431) (MARTIN YOUNG) (6)
1 - New York (100-60640) (HAROLD COLLINS) (12-11)
1 - New York (100-91386) (WILLIAM R. RIGG) (12-14)
1 - New York (100-116704) (AARON WOOL) (12-14)
1 - New York (100-100124) [redacted] (12-15) b6 b7C
1 - New York (100-67003) (BOB KATZ) (12-15)

A physical surveillance was conducted in Adelphi Hall, 74 5th Avenue, New York City, by SAS [redacted] and WILLIAM J. DANIELSON, Jr., of individuals who attended the meeting of the Industrial Board on the evening of 7/9/58. The individuals were as follows: b6 b7C

JACK FINN
BETTY GANNETT
MIKE DAVIDOW
LOUIS DINNERSTEIN
LOUIS WEINSTOCK
ESTHER CANTOR
BILL ALBERTSON
ROSE PODMAKA
GEORGE GORCHOFF
TONY FOY
HAROLD COLLINS
WILLIAM R. RIGG
AARON WOOL
[redacted]
PETE GOODMAN
GEORGE MORRIS

Chairman, LOUIS WEINSTOCK, called the meeting to order at 8:00 P. M. and stated the agenda would be as follows: a report on Distributive by JACK (FINN); a report on the staff by MIKE (DAVIDOW); nominations and elections.

MIKE DAVIDOW stated the Finance Secretary (Industrial Division) is Comrade LOUIS From Distributive (DINNERSTEIN). He stated that most of the comrades did not know him and he introduced him formally.

JACK FINN in his report on the Distributive Region stated that of 35,000 members in Local 65 of the DPOWA (Distributive Processing and Office Workers of America) 1800 to 2000 were unemployed. These unemployed were mainly textile and direct mail employees the majority of whom were Negroes

and Puerto Ricans. He continued that the unemployed should attend local union meetings. It was his recommendation that unemployment benefits should be extended to six months. FINN announced that 1500 copies of the CP program on unemployment were distributed at the union convention in Chicago and he commented that these leaflets were well received by the workers. He commented that the workers recognized the CP victories in their behalf and he believed the party was gaining respectability amongst the workers. FINN commented that the CP attended a meeting of Local 1199, a druggist union, and a question of the NAACP was brought up. This gave them an opportunity to get a Negro Trade Unionist Committee for ADAM CLAYTON POWELL formed. The CP should implement the campaign in behalf of POWELL according to FINN. FINN continued that District 65 was the biggest local in the international union, and was composed of 29 locals (District 65). He continued that Local 1199 was a separate local of retail workers and the Distributive Region had members in every local of District 65 and also in 1199. FINN stated that the CP had 30 stewards in District 65. He continued that he was elected Regional Organizer of the Distributive Region whose membership was now between 120-125 in 18 active clubs.

FINN announced that he had a list of 150 people, and it was only a question of visiting them in order to get them to return to CP membership. He stated "there are 7 in Department Store and 15 -20 more to be brought back in. Drugs will get back 15 or 20 people". FINN stated he carries index cards of names of people to be contacted, and he believed by the end of the year he would have 150 people back in the CP. He continued that the party is now functioning and the comrades have "The Worker" handed to them in front of union halls and meeting places. He continued that any honest person can return to the CP even if they have differences, but they must be able to reasonably work out any deviation. FINN stated that each member of the Distributive Region is contacted every two weeks. He concluded by stating his region had some $800.00 for the Party Fund Drive.

LOUIS WEINSTOCK stated that numerous unions in New York City had Communist leaders in the past. He commented that Communist leaders who quit the Party now lead anti-Communist movements and campaigns in unions under anti-Communist labels to get the support of union leaders. The CP must concentrate on carefully selected unions which have been hard hit by unemployment and attempt to get Ex-CP members to return. District 65 offers a good opportunity for obtaining ex-CP members and should be worked on to get them back into the Party.

JACK FINN stated "SI (PERLMUTTER) is back in the Club. EUNICE (TUCKER) left the Party. PETE (BALDINO) does not want to get out of the Party. [redacted] is out of the Party". b6 b7C

LOUIS DINNERSTEIN discussed the POWELL Campaign, and the necessity for getting trade union workers to vote the POWELL ticket. He mentioned the Distributive Region was vigorously participating in the POWELL Campaign.

ESTHER CANTOR stated it was essential for POWELL to win the primary election and all problems of the Negro Labor Alliance would be intensified unless there was a POWELL victory. She commented that every Negro canvasser of Tammany Hall from all of the city were concentrating in Harlem to defeat POWELL. She mentioned that the campaign must be intensified in Local 1199 as the Druggists in Harlem can wield great influence in the community. She commented that 24,000 millinery workers who are shipping clerks can also exert great pressure in behalf of POWELL.

She announced "the Party is calling a city-wide conference of functionaries on Friday, July 18th at 8:00 P. M. at Yugo Hall, where mobilization for power and party campaign will be presented. She continued that they would set up a sub-committee consisting of JACK (FINN) LOUIS (WEINSTOCK) and herself to explore on possibilities for full mobilization of the POWELL campaign.

MIKE DAVIDOW gave a report on the Industrial Staff. He stated the staff proposed that an Executive Board of the Industrial Division should be elected. This Executive Board would not bypass or usurp the authority of the Industrial Board. He stated that the following would protect the authority of the Industrial Board:

1. The meetings and decisions of the Executive Board would be presented to the Industrial Board for acceptance. Decisions would not be official policy until the Industrial Board passed on them.

2. The Executive Board would tour the industries and make reports regarding them to inform the Industrial Board on problems of the industries. He continued that the staff believed the Executive Board should consist of 8 members. It was his belief that they cannot reduce this number without removing officers of the Industrial Division of the three Regional Organizers on the Executive Board.

The following eight people were proposed for membership on the Executive Board:

1. LOUIS (WEINSTOCK) (Chairman)
2. ESTHER (CANTOR) (Vice Chairman)
3. BOB (KATZ) (Vice Chairman) (not present at the meeting)
4. MIKE (DAVIDOW)
5. JACK (FINN) From Distributive
6. GEORGE (GORCHOFF)
7. PAUL (SCHWARTZ) (not present at the meeting)
8. GEORGE MORRIS

A female from Cultural (TONY FOY) asked if all 17 regions were represented at the Industrial Board meetings. MIKE DAVIDOW stated that they should be.

PETE GOODMAN opposed the formation of an Executive Board as there were too many groups acting as Executives in the Industrial Division set up.

BETTY GANNETT was in favor of an Executive Board.

There was a vote on the acceptance of the formation of an Executive Board. This vote was carried and the above eight people elected.

MIKE DAVIDOW stated that a member of the National Committee from the Industrial Division resigned for personal reasons and the Industrial Staff unanimously proposed BILL ALBERTSON to be the National Committee member from Industrial Division. DAVIDOW stated that ALBERTSON had much experience, was formerly Labor Secretary of the Industrial Board, and was presently Executive Secretary of the New York District CP which is composed of more then one half of the CP, USA membership. DAVIDOW nominated ALBERTSON on behalf of the Industrial Staff to be National Committee Representative of Industrial.

ROSE PODMAKA nominated MARTIN (YOUNG) for National Committee Representative.

ESTHER CANTOR objected to the nomination of BILL ALBERTSON as he did not represent Industry at the present time.

LOUIS WEINSTOCK supported BILL ALBERTSON's nomination.

GEORGE (GORCHOFF) objected to ALBERTSON's nomination as there were too many full time CP members on the National Committee. It was his belief that the National Committee members had no contact with the shop workers. It was his understanding that the seven members from the Industrial Division on the National Committee were to be shop workers. The number of shop workers had been cut down little by little, and he believed that was a bad trend.

BETTY GANNETT was in favor of BILL ALBERTSON's

nomination.

MIKE DAVIDOW defended his nomination of BILL ALBERTSON, and stating that there were very few full timers in the CP at present, and it was his belief that the party needed full timers to function properly. He stated that the full timers problem clouded the issue of getting the best representative on the National Committee as possible.

LOUIS WEINSTOCK stated that BILL ALBERTSON was nominated to represent the Industrial Division of the New York State CP on the National Committee. There was a vote on a proposal to refer the question of a National Committee Representative back to the Regions or conducting a vote immediately. The vote was 8 to 4 for an immediate election.

PETE GOODMAN objected to the method by which a National Committee representative was being shoved on the Industrial Board members who had no preparation for further proposals.

LOUIS WEINSTOCK ruled GOODMAN out of order and a vote for BILL ALBERTSON to the National Committee was held. The vote was 9 in favor, 3 against and 2 obstentions.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:35 P. M.

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1 - New York (100-95240)(LYL)(7-3)
1 - New York (100-4931)(CP)(7-5)
1 - New York (100-49738)(SP-SDF)(7-3)
1 - New York (100-133479)(YSA)(7-3)
1 - New York (100-127157) [redacted] (7-3)
1 - New York (100-113883)(MICHAEL HARRINGTON)(7-3)
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"National Chairman, Young Socialist League
114 W. 14 St.
New York City

"Dear Comrades:

"This is an offical letter to both the YPSL and YSL and we request that the national bodies of both organization take up the points in this letter and send us an official reply. In view of the pending dissoulution of the USL to be followed by the individual joing of the YPSL by most of the YSL members we wish to clarifycertain points as to the relation of the 'merged' organization with the rest of the socialist youth movement in this country.

"The Youngn Socialist, America's only nationwide socialist youth newspaper, its supporters and some 15 youth clubs throughout the country to which it gives expression, have from their very birth sought to unify all socialist youth into a common organization. We stand at this moment, as we have from our very once tion for the unity of the Young Socialist League, Young Peoples Socialist League, independents and former members of the Labor Youth League into one organization.

"We stand ready at this time to enter into immediate negociations with the YSL and YPSL as amove toward this end. We specifically ask the YSL and YPSL to enter into negociations with us prior to taking any final steps on their own merger. We, on our part, desire such negociation in order to clarify the situation in the youth field prior to the holding of our National Conference in December.

"Should it be impossible at this time to bring about the organic unity of all socialist youth, it still may be possible for the different youth organizations, publications and local youth clubs to work together on those issues where there is agreement. We favor a united front of all socialist and working class youth, including young members of the Communist Party as well as any other party, in order to

"advance the struggle for peace, for integration, for civil liberties and for socialism in our own country. We seek a formal statement from the YSL and YPSL as to their willingness to so cooperate with other young socialists and workers.

"The desire of the YPSL, which is affiliated with the Socialist Party-Social Democratic Federation, or the YSL which supports politically the SP-SDF, for united action is put somewhat in doubt by the actions of the SP-SDF recently against the YOUNG SOCILIST. The SP-SDF leaders have characterized the YS as having 'no greater claim to the name 'socialist' than the Communist Party or the National Socialists of Germany.' Since there is the clear implication that we are in effect 'fascists' and since socialists are opposed to united fronts with fascists, it seems clear that the SP-SDF for one is opposed to united action with us. It is hoped that young people sympathetic or affiliated with this organization do not hold a similar view. We therefore seek a formal statement as to the views of the YSL and YPSL on this question.

"One of the issues most frequently discussed among socialists these days is electoral action. There is a growing awareness among radicals of all shades of opinion of the need for united electoral activity in opposition to the two major capitalist parties. The YOUNG SOCIALIST strongly favors such electoral action and is its supporting club in New York City, the Young Socialist Alliance, is one of the main supporters of the United Socialist ticket movement in New York State.

"We noted with sadness that at its last convention the SP-SDF came out against united electoral action with those who it considers to be 'Trotskyists' or 'Communists' and opened the door for support of the capitalist parties by members and locals of the SP-SDF. We hope that the YPSL does not agree with this position and therefore seek clarification on this point from the YPSL.

"The YSL held a referendum at the time of the 1950 elections in which it voted in favor of support to all socialist parties running in the election by a large majority.

"Since, to our knowledge, no national convention has since overruled this membership decision, we therefore assume the YSL still holds this view. If such is the case, we hope that the YSL will enter into discussions with us at the earliest possible moment on ways and means of furthering united electoral action to oppose the two capitalist parties.

"We hope to hear from you on the above questions as soon as possible. We promise to consider with utmost carefulness and seriousness your answers to these questions. The possibility of united socialist youth movement hangs in the balance.

Fraternally

[redacted] for the editorial board of the YOUNG SOCIALIST

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cc: National Chairman, Young People's Socialist League."

NY 100-30693

August 22, 1958

[redacted], Editorial Board
Young Socialist
144 Second Avenue
New York 3, New York

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"Dear Comrade [redacted]

"We have received your letter with regard to your proposal of discussions between the supporters of the Young Socialist, the Young Socialist League, and the Young People's Socialist League. The YPSL and YSL are answering this letter jointly in view of our common position on the question and our impending merger into a single organization.

"We must first state that we regard your procedure as unusual, since your are, of course, quite aware of our attitude on the subject. The YSL policy was determined by the YSL Convention of 1957 in which you were a participant. The suggestion you now make is a repetition of the one which was overwhelmingly rejected by the YSL membership after a prolonged, democratic discussion. For these reasons, it appears to us that your letter, at least as far as you are personally concerned, is in the nature of a propagandistic maneuver rather than a serious proposal. However, we will restate one of our main considerations on this subject since we are quite sure that others among you, who had not previously been in the YSL are sincere in their desire to direct such a letter to us.

"For the general statement of the YSL position, we are enclosing a copy of the YSL 1957 Convention resolution on socialist regroupment. The YPSL, in its 1957 Convention, adopted a resolution on socialist unification, a copy of which is enclosed. We trust that you will circulate these among your members and friends who wish to know our full policy. Needless to say, we stand by these documents, and currently look forward to our imminent merger.

"On one point, however, we would like to restate our attitude in this letter. It concerns your conception of an 'independent' youth organization. In recent times we have become more convinced than ever of the rightness of linking the perspectives for youth unity with those for adult regroupment. Thus, we are preparing to hold a convention for the purpose of forming the largest organization of democratic socialist youth seen in this country for a decade, one which will be affiliated to the Socialist Party-Social Democratic Federation.

"First of all, we believe that our relation with adult regroupment is crucial to the fate of the socialist movement as a whole. We see the SP-SDF as the focus for a revival of American socialism in general, we feel that it can reach out to trade unionists, Negro militants, intellectuals and youth, and unite them in a single party of democratic socialism. We have been more and more convinced during the past year that the response to this development among unaffiliated socialist and among those now coming to socialism for the first time will mean a major breakthrough for the movement.

"Consequently, we are going to build a youth organization which will be a loyal, affiliated section of the SP-SDF.

"Secondly, we believe that there are political and practical problems which make youth 'independence' unworkable. Politically, we're committed to an organization which is broad within the context of dedication to the principles of democratic socialism. We feel that your venture has demonstrated the non-viability of a group which attempts to temporize with basic political questions. As we have watched your development, we have noted that various concessions, designed to smooth over fundamental antagonisms, have not been satisfactory to anyone--not to those who make the concessions, not to those for whom they are made.

"On practical grounds, too, we reject the notion of youth 'independence'. We know full well how difficult it is to maintain a youth organization. The YSL has said before and repeats now, that the YSL's very existence has been made possible only because of the fraternal aid of the YSL; the YPSL is, of course, affiliated to the SP-SDF. We believe that your experience demonstrates that an attempt at youth 'independence' means actual domination of the group by an adult tendency, or else continuous and paralyzing internal squabbles.

"Our common perspective, we feel, is now being vindicated. We will soon go forward as an integral part of a nationwide growth of democratic socialism under the banner of the SP-SDF. So far, every indication which you have given is in opposition to these basic notions. For this reason, we see no possibility of fruitful discussions at this time.

"In closing, let us say that if your group is sincerely and honestly concerned with the problems raised in the letter, then you must take blame for frustrating their wishes. You, certainly, were aware of our attitude when you drafted the communication. We therefore must say that we feel that these old-fashioned maneuvers hardly serve the cause of socialist unity--and that they are an affront to those of your members who were not as well informed as you. If we are to remain in separate organizations, and that certainly appears to be the case, the cooperation which you profess to seek will not be furthered by such tactics.

"Fraternally,

[redacted] b6 b7C

National Secretary,
Young People's Socialist League

"Michael Harrington
National Chairman
Young Socialist League."

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Remy airtel, 9/15/58, captioned "SAM MILLER; SM-C," in which it was stated that MILLER, District Press Director from San Francisco, was presently on a trip which would last into 1/59, and was talking to people connected with "the paper."

On 9/15/58, PH-83-S*, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised SEs [redacted] and [redacted] that a man who identified himself as SAM MILLER visited CP Headquarters, Room 700, Shubert Building, 250 South Broad Street, Philadelphia, Pa., about noon, 9/15/58.

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MILLER spoke at length with JAMES DOLSEN, District Press Director, Communist Party of Eastern Pennsylvania and Delaware (CPEPD), about DOLSEN's background.

DOLSEN told MILLER he had not been in California since 1923, but both DOLSEN and MILLER recognized each other without either recalling the name of the other party. DOLSEN stated he had been tried in California in 1920 for violation of the State Sedition law. He said he defended himself and the trial resulted in a hung jury. Two years later in 1922, he was tried on the same charges with four other individuals in Oakland, Calif., and had defended himself and the other four, and again the trial resulted in a hung jury. DOLSEN remarked that the chief prosecutor at the latter trial was the present Chief Justice of the Supreme Court EARL WARREN, who was the laughing stock of California for a period following this trial. DOLSEN said he was then sent as a delegate to the convention in New York City which brought the Party out into the open in 1922. DOLSEN said while he was in New York City, he was notified that the term of court had expired and the courts could no longer bring DOLSEN back to California to stand trial. DOLSEN said he had previously been a delegate and chairman of the California Delegation at the 1919 Socialist Party Convention when that group split. He said he had gone with the Wagenknecht group and became its secretary after returning to California. DOLSEN continued by stating that in 1937 or 1938, he, together with 30 others in Pittsburgh, were tried on the fraudulently obtaining of signatures to election petitions at a time when DOLSEN was Communist candidate for Pennsylvania State Legislature. He said he had been convicted on this charge and served ten months of a one year sentence in a workhouse. DOLSEN said he also had been kidnapped at 6:00 a.m. one day by the Dies Un-American Activities Committee in Pittsburgh, Pa., and had been taken by airplane to Washington, but his case was thrown out of Federal Court because the investigators used an illegal device in making the arrest. DOLSEN related that following this, ANDREW ONDA, STEVE NELSON and DOLSEN had been tried on a charge of violation of the Pennsylvania State Sedition Act and were convicted, followed shortly thereafter by the Pittsburgh Smith Act trial where he also was a defendant. He said the Pittsburgh Sedition Act trial was carried to the Supreme Court and the conviction was reversed only after he had served a number of months in prison.

MILLER said he had left Los Angeles in 8/58, but was not any longer living in Los Angeles since he had moved to Venice

(California) about a month before he left on the trip and had not attended any meetings during that time. He said he had been in the Philadelphia Office of the "Morning Freiheit" newspaper on the morning of 9/15/58, and had spoken to (ABE) SOKOLOV (Philadelphia Manager and CPEPD District Treasurer). MILLER related that SOKOLOV suggested he stop over at the CP office so he did in order to "get connected with the Party." He said he wanted to pick up some CP literature and catch up on CP news.

DOLSEN inquired whether MILLER had seen the PAUL ROBESON book ("Here I Stand"). MILLER said he had purchased this book previously. DOLSEN remarked that he had already sold 319 copies of this book and it was such an easy book to sell that DOLSEN felt the CP might be able to get unemployed people to sell copies of this book and make some money for themselves.

DOLSEN remarked that the CP was holding the Party's Anniversary Celebration (39th Anniversary Celebration) in New York City on 9/26/58, and it would be held at Carnegie Hall. MILLER said he had many places to go and did not know whether he would be able to attend this meeting or not.

MILLER inquired regarding the status of the Party at present and was told that the Party is in very bad shape because of different factions that are fighting. DOLSEN said there was one faction of the so-called right and there was additional trouble in the Northwestern United States centering around PETTIS PERRY, who was head of the Washington State Bureau of "People's World." DOLSEN stated the trouble apparently originated at a picnic held sometime previously at which there were three leaders of the Socialist Workers Party present who were assaulted by some of the CP members, even though the SWP people had been invited. There was quite a fuss raised over this incident, according to DOLSEN, because PERRY published an apology to the SWP leaders for this attack. DOLSEN added that as a result of the publication of this apology, he was replaced on the Bureau. PERRY then issued a statement to a Seattle paper that he had been a socialist labor man and a Communist, but now he had nothing to do with Communism.

DOLSEN and MILLER then discussed the unemployment situation and both were in agreement that the aircraft industry had many Government contracts cancelled and these contracts were being replaced with contracts for missiles which require far less employees and result in additional unemployment. DOLSEN

said he felt the Eisenhower Administration was shifting to emphasis on missiles rather than airplanes as an economy move. DOLSEN stated that even big business elements were becoming apprehensive about the future.

DOLSEN also said the trouble with the Far East Foreign Policy is that there is the danger that anything could happen at any time if one of the shells from the Chinese mainland was aimed "a little out of line" and struck an American ship.

DOLSEN said he felt that the Party was breaking out of its past difficulties although the progress was very slow. MILLER remarked that 36 people had resigned from the National Committee (CPUSA), and ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN was very critical of the National Committee. MILLER said that the people in San Francisco favor the rank and file, and when there is a factional fight in the National Committee, they do not know what group to side with and merely grope around.

DOLSEN remarked that he felt the trouble with the comrades who complain is that they are all idealists who thought that after the framework had been laid, everything would automatically fall in place and there would be a grand socialist society. DOLSEN thought they apparently forgot about other problems which arise and which unsettle these complainers. He said that in the building of the socialist system in Russia it should have been anticipated, if a person was realistic, that a man of STALIN's type was necessary to make things fall into line. DOLSEN said situations are constantly changing so that the Party has to face tremendous problems all the time.

MILLER stated that it is now an established fact that Socialism works because the Russians have proved it and millions of people have changed their minds and feelings in regard to Russia when they realized that many difficult things had been accomplished in Russia. He said this had made the CP position much better (in the minds of the public). DOLSEN said many of the things that happened in Russia and are still happening had a very definite effect on Communists and sympathizers in the West. He cited the Hungarian situation and said that a similar situation could easily arise in Poland.

MILLER thought the Soviet Union was making tremendous progress and the cultural change (in the United States) had been

tremendous. He said the people now have great sympathy for the Soviet Union and are very impressed over the emphasis on education and improvements that Russia has made.

Returning to the subject of the CP, DOLSEN felt that the comrades have been so busy fighting each other in the recent past that they have lost sight of their goal and that unity was the principal need of the CP at present. MILLER remarked the same situation was in effect when the CP was first organized.

DOLSEN felt that additional leaflets should be given out to the public dealing with unemployment and other issues, and that "The Worker" should be used to a greater degree. MILLER claimed that the CP still has prestige among the workers even though the story has been spread around that there is no longer a CP in the United States.

MILLER stated that in the Jewish communities in Los Angeles, it had been necessary to disband the cultural clubs. However, he felt that the true comrades had not changed and could be called upon at any time. MILLER said these people will support anything the CP does. MILLER said there are a lot of people in his club who were active in the IWO and still questioned many things. MILLER said the cultural clubs are not nationally coordinated, but these clubs are working in every large city organizing the city life and working for the future as far as the "progressive movement" is concerned. MILLER stated the reason for his being in Philadelphia was that the "progressive movement" was growing in greater proportions than any other phase, probably because the Jewish population is increasing. He estimated that Los Angeles probably has over 450,000 Jews and that there are more than 400,000 Jews in Philadelphia and Chicago. MILLER quoted ABE SOKOLOV as saying that the Jewish progressive movement constitutes the older element and is largely the Jewish-speaking element. MILLER said that Los Angeles and Miami are natural places for this element to settle.

(MILLER gave the informant the impression that he was trying to get information regarding the extent of the progressive Jewish groups in the larger cities, the identity of potential or actual contributors to the CP, possibly for the purpose of organizing and controlling these groups on a national scale.)

DOLSEN inquired about the financial condition of the "People's World" newspaper. MILLER said the paper had almost

completed its campaign and was far better off financially than "The Worker." MILLER said he understood that the people in New York are lagging greatly in their financial obligations, and he did not know how they could be roused from their financial complacency. MILLER said, "You are going to have to get people who can really reach the members. You cannot afford to wait. You have to reach them now. It is more important for the people in New York than the people in the West," adding that he thought "we would work out of this situation." DOLSEN agreed that he felt the CP had "about hit the bottom."

MILLER said that the element that had left the Party did so under the illusion there was a possibility of proving a mass party of Socialism in the United States is a "rightist" idea. MILLER said this was an illusion and they should realize that. He said these people think the Party is stifling itself and is not working toward this end. MILLER said he had read their declaration (apparently the 26 right-wing California leaders who resigned) and they said they would promise to work for the movement and promise to work for the "People's World." MILLER added it is known that this group conducts educational programs but does not feel they can continue in this fashion very long.

MILLER said he intended to leave for Atlantic City, N.J., shortly and would stay there for about one month. He said he had made sure through ABE SOKOLOV that he would get the "Morning Freiheit" paper while in Atlantic City because SOKOLOV told him where to purchase copies. MILLER said, "I'm going hard for these comrades here." Both DOLSEN and MILLER agreed that the New Jersey organization (of the CP), like much of the CP throughout the United States, is in bad shape. MILLER said he felt the CP was holding together fairly well in Atlantic City.

Review and study of the above information indicates that MILLER is either searching out new sources of funds for the CP and/or making a study of the Jewish Cultural Clubs throughout the country, preparatory to amalgamating these groups into a national organization. If Los Angeles has any information regarding the itinerary of MILLER, other than the indefinite itinerary set out in this airtel, it is requested it be furnished to the pertinent offices.

HENNRICH

9/18/58

AIRTEL

AIR MAIL - REGISTERED

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-3-81)

FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-17603)

SUBJECT: COMMUNIST PARTY, U.S.A.
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CS LA 4027-S and CS LA 4050-S have furnished a copy of a letter dated 8/15/58 addressed to all members of the National Committee and to all districts from ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN for the National Executive Committee. This letter concerns the CP campaign to free GIL GREEN and HENRY WINSTON, who will be eligible for parole this fall. It urges that prominent individuals outside the Party be contacted in an effort to have them send a plea to the U. S. Parole Board in Washington, D.C., urging the release of GREEN and WINSTON. Two photostatic copies of this letter are attached for the Bureau and New York.

3 - Bureau (Encl. 2)(AIR MAIL)(REGISTERED)
2 - New York (Encl. 2)(AIR MAIL)(REGISTERED)
1 - San Francisco (INFO)(REGISTERED)
4 - Los Angeles (100-17603)(100-43372 - CINAL)

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SOURCE: CS LA 4027-S and CS LA 4050-S to SA W. NATHAN PROVINSE 9/18/58.

Original of letter referred to retained in LA 100-18906-1A.

1 copy to 100-6469 (Subj Bonelli administrative memo)

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Walter JW

Aug. 15, 1958

To All Members of the National Committee
To all Districts

Dear Comrades:

I am sure that you have heard the good news that the last New York Smith Act convictions were reversed on Aug. 5th by the U.S. Court of Appeals and the indictment dismissed. This action was based on the Supreme Court decisions in the California and Connecticut cases. It is the ninth Smith Act prosecution to collapse. The court states that a call to action is required rather than a mere belief or advocacy of an abstract doctrine. This should speed the end of pending cases in Michigan, Ohio, Missouri, and Colorado.

The conspiracy section of the Smith Act hasn't a leg to stand on today. No one of us should have been convicted or sentenced under it. But are we through with the Smith Act? Can we write its obituary? Far from it! Like an octopus it stretches out its tentacle of a membership clause to try Scales, Hellman, Lightfoot and others. And the painful fact confronts us that two of our best loved comrades, Gil Green and Henry Winston, face five more years in federal prisons. They went there in February 1956 and have already served the three year contempt sentences which were added to their original five year Smith Act sentences, which now should be vacated under the decisions of the courts in so many similar cases. Today is the most appropriate time to act on their behalf. I am writing this letter to urge that we, as National Committee members, set an example for all other comrades, in assuming personal responsibility for the necessary work in our districts to speed their release. The organized campaign on their behalf is, 1) for Parole, and 2) for Amnesty.

Comrades Winston and Green will be eligible for parole this Fall and are making applications to the October meeting of the Board. Many hundreds of letters urging amnesty have gone to President Eisenhower, but a form letter of acknowledgment states that consideration for executive clemency can be given only after parole is refused. There is no question of principle involved in asking for parole. It is the quickest way to restore our comrades to their families and to a measure of freedom. It is demanding a simple act of justice, the righting of a great wrong. So far parole has been denied all Smith Act prisoners. Let us try to break down this discrimination against our comrades.

The Smith Act Families Committee of Chicago (address Suite 811 at 189 West Madison St.) has issued an excellent brochure giving the plan of activity and necessary data. Please urge your district to send even a small contribution and order a working supply of the pamphlet. They are $3.00 a hundred. Since so many of us were personally involved in Smith Act cases, we know many prominent individuals -- labor leaders, ministers, and others in our area who oppose this act and who will be willing to send a plea to the Parole Board and to the President asking for the release of Gil Green and Henry Winston. Address U.S. Parole Board, H.O.L.C. Building - Room 420 - First and D Sts., Washington, D.C.

I know you will accept this immediate responsibility gladly and willingly and urge you to let us know what progress is made in the next few crucial weeks. Notify us who is in charge in your area.

With Comradely Greetings,

Elizabeth Gurley Flynn,
For the National Executive Committee

100-4931-12093

DIRECTOR, FBI (100-3) 9/22/58

SAC, NEW YORK (100-4931)

COMMUNIST PARTY, USA
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ReBulet 9/10/58.

WILLIAM COLAVITO was not included in the list of members of the CP National Committee elected from the New York District set out in NY letter 8/29/58 on the CP, USA organizational structure for the reason that investigation of COLAVITO to date reflects that he failed to attend the 6/28 and 29/58 meeting of the National Committee and thus there exists the possibility that he is not a Committee member. Furthermore, it was announced at that meeting that the Committee then had a membership of 57, a figure tending to verify the Committee membership set out in my letter of 8/29/58.

As set out in NY letter to Bureau, 9/5/58, entitled "WILLIAM RICHARD COLAVITO, was., IS - C; ISA '50" the NYO is attempting to definitely ascertain COLAVITO's present position in the CP.

2 - Bureau (100-3) (RM)
1 - New York: 100-4931

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Date of Report
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Date(s) of activity
9/26/58

Brief description of activity or material
Sept. 29th Anniversary Celebration
Communist Party

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, SAN JUAN (105-3166) DATE: 9/18/58

FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (105-28427)

SUBJECT: FRENTE DE LIBERACION NACIONAL
DE PUERTO RICO
IS - PR

Identity of Source: [redacted] who has furnished reliable info in past (conceal) b7D

Description of Info: Info re FLN meeting held 9/3/58 at residence of EMILIO PAGAN, 936 Hoe Ave., Bronx, N. Y.

Date received: 9/4/58

Received by: SA ALESIO SAVIOLA (oral)

Original located: [redacted]

Utmost care must be used in handling and reporting the following info to protect identity of informant.

Information furnished by informant as set forth above was typed by SA ALESIO SAVIOLA on 9/4/58 and authenticated by informant on 9/8/58.

A copy of informant's oral report follows:

7 - San Juan (2 - 105-3166)(FLN)(INFO)(RM)
(2 - 105-414)(CLEMENTE MATTEI PADILLA)(INFO)
(1 - 100-3)(NPPR)
(1 - 100-)(CP OF PR)
(1 - 105-)(PIP)
1 - New Haven (105-)(MAXIMINO MEDINA)(INFO)(RM)

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1 - NY 100-4931 (CP, USA)(7-5)
1 - NY 100-7689 (NPPR)(7-3)
1 - NY 105-203 (PIP)(7-3)
1 - NY 80-864 (LUIS MUNOZ MARIN Visit to US)(7-3)
1 - NY 105-29313 (MAXIMINO MEDINA)(7-3)
1 - NY 105-7431 (EMILIO PAGAN)(7-3)
1 - NY 105-30604 (LUIS QUINONES)(7-3)
1 - NY 105-30566 (SALVADOR NENADICH)(7-3)
1 - NY 105-30376 (JOSE GUEITS)(7-3)
1 - NY 105-2331 (PEDRO COLON)(7-3)
1 - NY 105-31360 (GREGORIO MUNOZ)(7-3)
1 - NY 105-30000 (JENARO MORALES)(7-3)
1 - NY 105-29254 (LUIS MUNOZ SULLIVAN)(7-3)
1 - NY 105-31618 (FREDDIE MUNOZ SULLIVAN)(7-3)
1 - NY 105- (MRS. EMILIO PAGAN)(7-3)
1 - NY 105- (MRS. LUIS QUINONES)(7-3)
1 - NY 105- (FNU QUINONES)(daughter of LUIS QUINONES)(7-3)
1 - NY 100-13293 (JOSE SANTIAGO)(12-10)
1 - NY 105- (ROBERTO CUEVAS)(7-3)
1 - NY 105- (MRS. ROBERTO CUEVAS)(7-3)
1 - NY 105- (DELIA LOPEZ, member of PIP)(7-3)
1 - NY 105-2497 (CLEMENTE MATTEI PADILLA)(7-3)

The following information was furnished orally on September 4, 1958:

A meeting of the Frente de Liberacion Nacional de Puerto Rico was held during the evening hours of Wednesday, September 3, 1958, at 936 Hoe Ave., Bronx, N. Y., the residence of EMILIO PAGAN.

The following members of the Frente attended the meeting:

EMILIO PAGAN	GREGORIO MUNOZ
LUIS QUINONES	JENARO MORALES
SALVADOR NENADICH	LUIS MUNOZ SULLIVAN
JOSE GUEITS	FREDDIE MUNOZ SULLIVAN
PEDRO COLON	

The wives of EMILIO PAGAN and LUIS QUINONES were present at this meeting, as was [redacted] LUIS QUINONES. b6 b7C

JOSE SANTIAGO, a member of the Communist Party, attended this meeting.

ROBERTO CUEVAS, his wife, and a Mrs. LOPEZ also attended this meeting. They are members of the Independence Party of Puerto Rico.

EMILIO PAGAN was elected president of the meeting.

JENARO MORALES was elected secretary of the meeting.

JOSE GUEITS was elected treasurer of the meeting.

The principal speakers during the meeting were EMILIO PAGAN, LUIS MUNOZ SULLIVAN and JOSE SANTIAGO. SANTIAGO said that the Communist Party would cooperate with the Frente.

It was decided not to attempt to organize any picketing of the activities of LUIS MUNOZ MARIN while he is in New York City next week. The meeting decided to order the printing of about five or ten thousand leaflets denouncing LUIS MUNOZ MARIN, his Popular Party of Puerto Rico and his

administration of the government of the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico.

The leaflets would be distributed throughout the Bronx, Brooklyn and Manhattan, Sunday, September 7, 1958, and during the dedication of the new building of the Department of Labor of the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico in New York City. This dedication will take place September 8, 1958. LUIS MUNOZ MARIN will attend this dedication ceremony.

PEDRO COLON and LUIS MUNOZ SULLIVAN were delegated to travel to Bridgeport, Conn. during the morning of Thursday, September 4, 1958, to visit MAXIMINO MEDINA in order to obtain from him certain documents in his possession which would be helpful in composing the message to put on the leaflets.

A five man committee, consisting of EMILIO PAGAN, LUIS MUNOZ SULLIVAN, PEDRO COLON, JOSE SANTIAGO and ROBERTO CUEVAS, was to meet during the evening hours of September 4, 1958, in order to study the documents obtained from MAXIMINO MEDINA and decide on the message to be carried on the leaflets.

When this committee decided what was to be printed on the leaflets, JOSE GUEITS would be advised and it would be his job to get the leaflets printed. GUEITS protested that there was no money in the treasury for this printing, but the others said they were sure GUEITS could and would handle the job.

The meeting also decided that a Congress should be organized as soon as possible. This Congress would include all organizations sympathetic to the ideal of independence for Puerto Rico, such as the Frente, Nationalists, Communists, Independentists, Negro Organizations and the like.

A committee, consisting of EMILIO PAGAN, LUIS MUNOZ SULLIVAN, PEDRO COLON and ROBERTO CUEVAS, was set up to organize this Congress.

The organizations that entered this Congress would be considered divisions of the Congress; the organizations would not be required to give up their separate identities. In other

words, the Frente would become a division of the Congress but still a separate organization. This would hold true for the Nationalist, Communist or Independentist organizations that would join or cooperate with the Congress.

CLEMENTE MATTEI PADILLA, when he returned to Puerto Rico, would be expected to set up a similiar Congress there as soon as possible. He would be expected to contact and obtain the co-operation of the Nationalists, Communists, and other Independentist groups.

I have read the information contained on this and two other pages; to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true and correct.

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[redacted] on 9/15/58 advised SA ALESIO SAVIOLA that Mrs. LOPEZ' first name is DELIA. b7D

SAC, New York

September 23, 1958

Director, FBI (100-373598)

ROGERS V. COMMUNIST PARTY, USA

In connection with the captioned case which is currently pending before the District of Columbia Court of Appeals, the Department has been preparing for the possibility of an adverse ruling by the Court which might necessitate the reopening of the entire case.

When information was first received through foreign sources that the weekly Cominform journal was being revived as a monthly magazine and would be published in Prague, Czechoslovakia, the Department requested the Bureau to furnish an original copy of each issue in the English language, if available. In addition, the Department requested to be furnished any details preferably from sources available to testify concerning the dissemination of this magazine in the U. S. The Department requested that in the event there is no open distribution of the magazine in this country, the Bureau should attempt to obtain evidence, particularly from sources available to testify, of the receipt of the magazine by functionaries of the Communist Party, USA, especially those connected with "Political Affairs," "The Worker" and other Party organs.

For information all offices, the first issue of this magazine, dated September, 1958, and entitled "Problems of Peace and Socialism," has been received by the Bureau. The magazine is being published in 16 languages in addition to Czechoslovakian and the English publication which is being distributed by Central Books Limited, 37 Gray's Inn Road, London, England, is entitled "World Marxist Review."

Pursuant to the Department's request the Bureau is desirous of being promptly advised of all information concerning the dissemination of the "World Marxist Review" in this country and of its receipt by functionaries of the Communist Party, especially those connected with "Political Affairs," "The Worker" and other Party organs. Each office receiving copies of this letter should take appropriate steps to comply with the Department's request.

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2 - Chicago
2 - Los Angeles
2 - San Francisco

Original in 100-192329 for this 100-4931

SAC, Philadelphia (100-1502) September 23, 1958

Director, FBI (100-3)

COMMUNIST PARTY, USA
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

Re Philadelphia airtel 9/18/58.

For your information, the statement made by James Dolsen, district press director, Communist Party of Eastern Pennsylvania and Delaware, which appears in paragraph three, page three, of reairtel to the effect that there is trouble in the Party in the northwestern part of the United States centering around Pettis Perry is in error. The individual in this part of the United States who has been involved in considerable factional difficulty within the Communist Party, USA, is Terry Pettus rather than Pettis Perry.

Also, Dolsen's statement which appears in paragraph two, page four, of reairtel to the effect that 36 people have resigned from the national committee is considerably out of line, according to information furnished from other sources.

1 - Los Angeles (For Information)
1 - Miami (For Information)
1 - Newark (100-4284) (For Information)
1 - New York (100-4931) (For Information)
1 - Pittsburgh (For Information)
1 - San Francisco (For Information)

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Office Memorandum · UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC (100-4931) DATE: 9/25/58

FROM : SA J. A. GRIMES, 7-1

SUBJECT: CP, USA
IS-C.

The "NATIONAL GUARDIAN" issue of September 22, 1958, page 11, contains the following announcement:

"39th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

OF THE

COMMUNIST PARTY

AND

BEN DAVIS ELECTION RALLY

Hear

Benjamin J. Davis Eugene Dennis
William Albertson
Mildred McAdory

A dramatic presentation written and produced by PHILLIP BONOSKY, author of 'Brother Bill McKie,' 'Burning Valley.'

Fri., Sept. 26, 8 P.M. Carnegie Hall
Admission $1 57th St. and 7th Av.
Tickets at: The Worker, 23 W. 26 St.; Jefferson Bookshop, 100 E. 16 St.; Book World, 714 Flatbush Ave, Brooklyn, Campaign Headquarters, 306 Lenox Ave, Rm. 302
Auspices: Communist Party of New York, 23 W. 26 St. MU 5-5750"

1 - ASAC N. H. McCabe, Div. IV
1 - SUP. WARREN MARCHESSAULT, #7
1 - SUP. T. SCOTT MILLER, #12
1 - RA WHITE PLAINS
1 - RA SUFFERN
1 - RA KINGSTON
1 - RA MINEOLA
1 - POUGHKEEPSIE RA
1 - BABYLON RA
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CG 5824-S*, on September 21, 1953, orally furnished to SA JOHN E. KEATING the information appearing on the following page. This oral information was reduced to writing on September 23, 1953.

2 - Bureau (REGISTERED)
2 - Newark (REGISTERED)
(1 - 100-) (Communist Party - USA)
(1 - 100-19491) (PAT TOOHEY)
2 - New York (REGISTERED)
(1 - 100-4931) (Communist Party - USA) (#7-S)
(1 - 100-19430) (PAT TOOHEY)
3 - Chicago
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(1 - 100-3470) (MORRIS CHILDS)

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September 21, 1953

It was learned on September 21, 1953, that on that date MORRIS CHILDS and PAT TOOHEY, both members of the National Appeals Committee of the Communist Party - USA, tentatively scheduled a meeting of this committee for Newark, New Jersey, on October 11, 1953, in order to have further deliberations on the New Jersey appeals case.

OFFICE MEMORANDUM UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-23825) DATE: 9/26/58

FROM : SA THOMAS J. DEVINE

SUBJECT : BENJAMIN J. DAVIS, JR.
IS-C

NY 1869-S* advised on 9/12/58, that BENJAMIN DAVIS asked BILL (ALBERTSON) if they could get ARNOLD (JOHNSON) to make a report on "peace." BILL (ALBERTSON) said he would try to get ARNOLD (JOHNSON). In talking about other suggestions for a reporter, BILL (ALBERTSON) mentioned BOB (THOMPSON), HY LUMER and JIM ALLEN. BILL (ALBERTSON) described ALLEN as "who I understand for the center handles this for the foreign policy commission." BILL (ALBERTSON) said ALLEN could give a very good relationship of forces picture.

Later that date, according to the informant, DAVIS asked JOHNSON for some suggestions for reporters for a meeting. ARNOLD JOHNSON said he was thinking of

1 - NY 100-128861 (CP RESERVE FUNDS)(#7-5)
1 - NY 100-74560 (CP FUNDS. NAT.)(#7-5)
1 - NY 100-128314 (CP-FUNDS)(#7-6)
1 - NY 100-128814 (CP, USA NY DIST.-ORG.)(#7-6)
1 - NY 100-4931 (CP, USA)(#7-5)
1 - NY 100-128812 (POLITICAL ACTIVITIES)(#7-6)
1 - NY 100-115575 (PEOPLES RIGHTS PARTY)(#7-2)
1 - NY 100-129629 (WILLIAM ALBERTSON)(#7-6)
1 - NY 100-16021 (ARNOLD JOHNSON)(#7-5)
1 - NY 100-27452 (BOB THOMPSON)(#7-5)
1 - NY 100-105078 (HY LUMER)(#7-5)
1 - NY 100-32826 (JAMES ALLEN)
1 - NY 100-50094 (ESTHER CANTOR)(#7-6)
1 - NY 100-54555 (EVELYN WIENER)(#12-14)
1 - NY 100-67234 (RUTH SHULMAN)(#12-15)
1 - NY 100-23825

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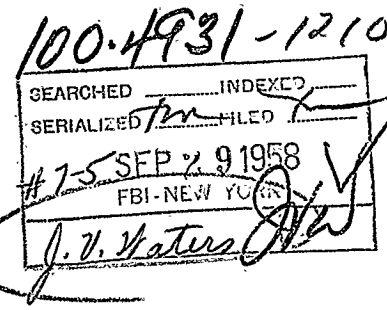

state persons such as RUTH. He replied "Yes" in answer to DAVIS answer of "RUTH SHULMAN," according to the informant.

NY 1869-S* also advised on 9/12/58, that ESTHER (CANTOR) communicated with DAVIS that date and told him that ARNOLD (JOHNSON), ABE (UNGER) and she made revisions in the State platform. DAVIS told her he was not making the report. In answer to this ESTHER said she considers this a personal insult since "first of all I am Acting State Chairman", and secondly she cannot agree to the way things are working.

The informant advised that DAVIS and ESTHER (CANTOR) discussed the conflict between herself and BILL (ALBERTSON) regarding the preparation of the report on the State platform because BILL (ALBERTSON) did not discuss the preparation with others.

The informant also said that EVIE (WIENER) complained to DAVIS about BILL (ALBERTSON) handling the preparation for the State platform but that DAVIS told her that BILL (ALBERTSON) could not meet with her that date since BILL was handling a job where the whole financial future of the campaign is involved (bail funds?).

AIRTEL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-3) 9/26/58

FROM: SAC, WFO (61-49)

COMMUNIST PARTY, USA
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Reference is made to the telephone call from SAC, WFO to SAC, Baltimore, at 5:35 p.m., 9/25/58, regarding JAMES EDWARD JACKSON and the fact that he was en route from Washington, D.C. to Baltimore, Maryland, traveling by automobile on the Washington-Baltimore Expressway.

On 9/25/58, WF 1062-S* advised that JACKSON visited on that date with MARKUS and ELIZABETH GOLDMAN in Washington, D.C. The GOLDMANS have been identified by this informant as persons interested in CP affairs and persons who are well to do financially and willing to contribute financially to the support of Communist causes. On 9/25/58, JACKSON identified himself to MARKUS GOLDMAN as Southern Secretary of the CP in charge of southern work. GOLDMAN pin-pointed the organization by asking JACKSON if he were talking about the CP and not a subordinate organization. JACKSON said he was referring to the CP.

JACKSON advised the GOLDMANS that he is presently working on the HUNTER (PITTS) O'DELL case and reviewed the case for them in detail. He said he borrowed a 1953 car and drove it from New York. He referred to O'DELL as having been "District Organizer" in Louisiana for six years and the fact that O'DELL was called before the HCUA. (The details of JACKSON's remarked pertaining to O'DELL will be furnished the Bureau and New Orleans by separate communications.)

3 - Bureau
3 - New York
(1-JAMES E. JACKSON
(1-CP, USA, FUNDS)
1 - New Orleans (100-14516) (HUNTER PITTS O'DELL) (RM)
1 - Baltimore (RM) (Info)
2 - WFO
(61-40-T) (CP, USA, FUNDS)

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JACKSON discussed various issues with the GOLDMANs, including considerable references to the situation in Little Rock, Arkansas. (The Little Rock Office has been advised by separate airtel) He discussed the financial expense of the O'NEILL case and stated that he will need in the neighborhood of $2000. He said he had been trying to raise part of it and if O'NEIL is extradited to Louisiana "we" will need $30,000 bail. If he does not return to Louisiana, JACKSON figures they will need $1000. for travel expenses and attorney fees. The GOLDMANs gave JACKSON $100 and said they might be able to help further if bond money were needed.

For the information of New York JAMES JACKSON was observed leaving the area of the GOLDMAN residence by SA DAVID P. MURPHY and SA[illegible] L. TODD. The physical surveillance which placed JACKSON on the way to Baltimore, Maryland, was conducted in an extremely discreet manner in order to not jeopardize WF 1062-S*; however, it was noted he was driving a 1953 dark green 4-door Ford sedan bearing New York license tags QU 1112 or possibly GU 1112.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, New York

DATE: August 19, 1958

FROM : Director, FBI (100-3)

PERSONAL ATTENTION

SUBJECT: COMMUNIST PARTY, USA
TOP LEADERSHIP COVERAGE
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

Since December, 1955, your office has had various top functionaries of the Communist Party of the United States (CPUSA) under intensified investigation. The present purpose of this program is to determine the over-all plans, programs, and objectives of the CPUSA.

Although Alexander Trachtenberg was investigated by your office under this program, your investigation failed to disclose pertinent activity on his part and he was dropped as a subject who qualified for intensified coverage. Recently, you developed information through an informant which reflects Trachtenberg is now and has been for some years a most important figure in the link between the Soviets and the CPUSA. This gives rise to the question of whether the intensified coverage of the top leadership of the Communist Party as it is presently being handled in your office is producing the results it should. In order to resolve this question, you should immediately personally go into this program with your supervisors, keeping in mind not only that the program itself requires constant analysis to insure that we are covering the proper functionaries of the Party but also that for a program of this kind to succeed, the Agents assigned to the investigation must be experienced in communist work and must have a keen desire to do the job. In addition, you should have a complete analysis made regarding the effectiveness of the coverage presently being maintained on Dennis, Davis, Thompson, Gerson, and Flynn. Consider first of all whether these subjects warrant continued intensified coverage on the basis of their present positions as high level functionaries of the Party. Thereafter, consider the merits of all investigative techniques currently being

employed, such as tesurs, misurs, fisurs, and anonymous source contacts with respect to their productivity and the quality of information they furnish.

You should advise the Bureau by letter dated not later than September 8, 1958, and include therein, in addition to the information requested above, your observations and recommendations for any changes you feel will improve the effectiveness and efficiency of this operation. In addition, beginning November 1, 1958, and every two months thereafter, you must furnish the Bureau a separate letter on each subject being investigated under this program. These letters must contain a detailed analysis of the coverage and the progress being made together with observations and recommendations as to whether the subject should be included under the program.

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

To: SAC, NEW YORK (100-132505) Date: 9/29/58

From: SA [redacted] (12-14)

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Subject: CP, USA, NY DISTRICT, NY INDUSTRIAL DIVISION, DISTRIBUTIVE REGION
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Source	NY 2371-S*
Reliability	Who was in a position to furnish reliable information.
Date of Activity	8/26/58
Date Received	8/26/58
Description	Retail Clerks Meeting
Place	Room 202, National Palace Theatre, 111 East Houston Street, New York City.
Agents to Whom Furnished	SA JOHN E. MOCNE SA [redacted]

1-NY 100-132430 (CP, USA, NY District-Industrial)(12-0)
1-NY 100-128814 (CP, USA, NY District-Organization)(7-6)
1- NY 100-128808 (CP, USA, NY District-Strategy in Industry)(7-6)
1- NY 100-4931 (CP, USA, NY District)(7-5)
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1- NY 100-56 (MIKE DAVIDOW)(7-6)
1- NY 100-128532 (PETE BALDINO)(7-6)
1- NY 100-17923 (JOHN GATES)(7-5)
1- NY 100-23825 (BEN DAVIS)(Sec. 7)
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1- NY 100-117542 (IRVIN MILES)(12-15)
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1- NY 100-122918 [redacted] 12-13) b6 b7C
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1- NY 100-135645 [redacted] (12-14)
1- NY 100-94112 (AARON NITKIN)(12-15)
1- NY 100-69826 (ANN KRIGER OZAL)(12-14)
1- NY 100-48836 (FLORENCE SCHWARTZ)(12-14)
1- NY 100-134077 (ERIMET ROSENBERG)(12-12)
1- NY 100-88826 (LOUIS DRUKER)(12-12)
1- NY 100-64289 (UNSUB white female, 55 years, 145 pounds, heavy build, blonde hair, fair complexion, wearing glasses - SA [redacted] (12-14)
1- NY 100-63467 (ISADORE KLOTZ)(12-13)
1- NY 100-50094 (ESTHER CANTOR)(7-6)
1- NY 100-128821 (CP, USA, NYD - Factionalism)(7-6)
1- NY 100-128812 (CP, USA, NYD - Political Act.)(7-6)

The names in parenthesis are the opinion of the reporting agent and should not be construed as a positive identification.

In the event that it is necessary to disseminate any of the following information, care should be taken to protect the identity of the informants.

[redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised SA [redacted] on 8/21/58, that a reservation was made for a meeting of the Retail Clerks for Tuesday evening 8/26/58, Room 202, National Palace Theatre, 111 East Houston Street, NYC. The informant advised that he did not know who made the reservation as it was made with one of his employees and there was no name or phone number listed for the reservation.

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SA [redacted] observed the following people enter Room 202 on 8/26/58, between 5:00 p.m. and 8:35 p.m. There was no photo surveillance conducted at this meeting.

1.	JACK FINN.	Identified by SA [redacted]
2.	JOE CHENERY	" " " " " "
3.	MIKE CRENOVICH	" " " " " "
4.	IRVIN MILES	" " " " " "
5.	HENRY KLEIN	" " " " " "
6.	[redacted]	" " " " " "
7.	VIC FISHLER	" " " " " "
8.	[redacted]	" " " " " "
9.	LOUIS DINNERSTEIN	" " " " " "
10.	RUTH HARRIS	" " " " " "
11.	[redacted]	" " " " " "
12.	AARON NITKIN	" " " " " "
13.	ANN KREIGER OZAL	" " " " " "
14.	FLORENCE SCHWARTZ	" " " " " "

15. FRIMET ROSENBERG Identified by SA [redacted] b6 b7C
16. LOUIS DRUKER " " " " " " "
17. ISADORE KLOTZ " " " " " " "
18. ESTHER CANTOR " " " " " " "
19. UNSUB white male, 6' 2" - 6' 4", 200 pounds, dark blue suit, dark complexion, yellowish plastic rain hat, round shoulders, blue tie, black shoes - identified by SA JAMES B. COLBY to be DAVID STRONG, 861 President Street, Brooklyn, New York, New York file 100-121319.
20. UNSUB white female, 55 years old, 145 puound, heavy build, blonde hair, fair complexion and wearing glasses - identified by [redacted] to be JOSEPHINE STEINER DRUKER, 355 Pacific Street, Brooklyn, New York, New York file 100-64289.

This meeting was covered by NY 2371-S* (conceal) who was in a position to furnish reliable information, advised the Retail Clerks are the Regional Council of captioned organization. The informant advised the meeting began at 7:40 p.m. and the following was announced as the agenda for this meeting.

1. Fund Drive
2. Organization
3. Davis Campaign

The chairman (JACK FINN) advised the first speaker would be IRVIN (MILES) on the Fund Drive. IRVIN (MILES) advised that the goal for the Fund Drive is $4,000 of which 50 per cent must be in by July 1, 1958, and 100 per cent by January 1, 1959. At the persent time we have about $1,000. The dues are not coming in the way they should and we realize that the financial situation of the Distributive Region is in a tight spot. The "Worker" will not be distributed in front of the union any more. AARON (NITKIN) advised that at

the meeting last week no one showed up. We will meet again tomorrow and expect to raise more money. I will turn in $60 this evening. FRIMET (ROSENBERG) advised that her club voted not to turn in any money to the Fund Drive because of questions that were not answered. She advised that no money will be turned in until these questions are answered. She also advised that false statements and accusations have been made. The chairman advised that the Whitman Club never raised any questions for three months, [redacted] and [redacted] wanted representatives to come to the club. Both of these comrades are members of the staff. The chairman also advised that [redacted] made the statement that the money was given to ABE GOLDSTEIN which may have been given to the Independent Socialist Party. The chairman advised that Comrade LOU (DINNERSTEIN) replaced GOLDSTEIN as the Financial Secretary months ago and there is no reason why the club should not raise the money. FRIMET (ROSENBERG) advised that PETE BALDINO is a member of the Independent Socialist Party.

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[redacted] wanted to know why MIKE DAVIDOW was turning money over to someone outside the party, and that ABE GOLDSTEIN was a member of the Whitman Club, but never dropped by there. [redacted] also advised that the Whitman Club should hold the money in abeyance until they get answers to the questions. (This was put in the form of a proposal and it was argued upon whether the proposal should be voted on now and MIKE (CRENOVICH) proposed it be voted upon at the next council meeting.) The chairman advised tha next point on the agenda is Organization. He advised that the Left (Wingers) met over the weekend and elected officers. They will begin to function as an anti-party apparatus. The chairman also announced that the Provisional Conference Committee will hold meetings August 16 and 17, 1958. They planned to split the party. The staff discussed this a week ago and wanted to know if we are going to organize or tear ourselves apart.

[redacted] advised we had a discussion last night and there was no attempt to expel JOHN GATES and

the "Worker" pointed out names of the FBI - stool pigeons. This should be condemned.

HENRY (KLEIN) advised that [redacted] did not speak on the merits of the resolution or admit the mistakes of the Right Wing. He also applies that he fought the Right Wing leadership at the convention and that both the Right and the Left Wings liquidated the Party. We should all support the legislation.

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AARON (NITKIN) advised that two months ago PETE BALDINO spoke of the Committee for Democratic Socialism and also mentioned his contact with JOHN GATES. There is no question that this is a faction. FRIMET (ROSENBERG) advised she was opposed to it because it was used against individuals in Chicago. This is not factionalism. This cannot go along with the kind of proposal which will permit leaders to expel anyone they want. I was on the board for four years and the question was always asked how the money was being handled. The chairman advised that the resolution does not refer to any club or Region. It refers to the Center.

ESTHER (CANTOR) advised she does not know how we can discuss the Chicago situation. If you are against factionalism you should then support the resolution.

MIKE (CRENOVICH) advised there should be a thirty day resoultion. At the end of the thirty days those still engaged in factionalism were called down to discuss the situation and none showed up.

At the next State Committee meeting the situation was discussed again. In our Region we do not have organized Right Party. Either party takes action against the Ultra Left or it will destroy the party.

IRVIN (MILES) advised we should vote against the resolution because it is not aimed at factions. It is aimed against the individuals which is a great danger from the Right.

JOE (CHENERY) advised that no power except the CP can destroy the CP itself. He advised he will vote against the resolution.

An unidentified male advised that he has not been to a council meeting for a long time and he is not clear of the situation.

FLORENCE (SCHWARTZ) advised that she would like to know what the factionalists did, for example, LIGHTFOOT gets money from the party and owns a big apartment building in Chicago and it is ridiculous to call these type of people factionalists.

The chairman advised that only the members of the Regional council could vote. The chairman advised that all in favor should raise their hands. Eight were for and nine against. The chairman advised that Comrade LOU (DINNERSTEIN) has been sitting on the council for months. Comrade AARON (NITKIN) from Direct Sales has not voted as a club member for many months. Comrade FRIMET (ROSENBERG) from the Whitman Club, Comrade DAVE from Social Service who did not vote, Comrade RUTH (HARRIS), Comrade HENRY (KLINE), Comrade JACK (FINN).

[redacted] advised that JOE (CHENERY) is also a member of that club and that LOU (DINNERSTEIN) has not been involved for several months. The chairman advised the vote is nine to five. b6 b7C

Comrade MIKE (CRENOVICH) was elected to the Regional Council and I was elected as the Organizer and I was also elected to Industrial Council. Comrade IRVIN (MILES) does not represent a club.

[redacted] advised that he questions the honesty of some of the leadership. LOU (DINNERSTEIN) advised that he wanted to justify his right to vote. He is representative of his club and turned in money this evening and at the present time his function is the head of his club until someone replaces him.

MIKE (CRENOVICH) advised there has been dishonesty and thievery. The chairman advised that IZZY (KLOTZ) represents the Shoe Club.

The chairman advised that we will proceed with the agenda. The next point on the agenda is the Davis Campaign.

ESTHER (CANTOR) advised that she would like to discuss ~~to form of~~ the campaign for the Negro who faces execution in Alabama. DAVIS saw a Baptist Ministers Alliance which accepted his proposals on the Davis Campaign. We have about 2,600 signatures and we are out to get 5,000. The Davis Campaign will end up with a rally at the Hotel Theresa.

The chairman advised that before the meeting comes to a close, he would like to know how many people plan to attend the Ben Davis Campaign Saturday and Sunday and a petition will be distributed before leaving tonight.

The chairman advised that a staff meeting is scheduled for next Tuesday evening and if there are no further questions a motion is made for the meeting to come to a close. The motion was seconded and the meeting adjourned at 10:17 p.m.

OFFICE MEMORANDUM UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, SAN FRANCISCO DATE: 10/7/58

FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (100-133479)

SUBJECT: YOUNG SOCIALIST ALLIANCE
IS-YSA

The following is a summary of information furnished by [redacted] who voluntarily appeared at the NYO on 9/17/58, and was interviewed by SAS [redacted] and ARTHUR J. GREENE, Jr. b6 b7C b7D

[redacted] advised that he does not want his identity revealed in any manner in regard to the information furnished and does not desire to testify.

In the event this information is utilized in a report it should be covered by a T symbol. [redacted] should be characterized as an individual who was in a position to furnish information of this type.

The original interview report (FD 302) covering the information furnished by [redacted] is located in NY file 100-133557-1A4.

1-San Francisco (100- JAMES ROBERTSON) (RM)
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(1 - 100- [redacted]
2-Detroit (100- [redacted] (RM)
(1 - 100- PAUL LNU)
1-Philadelphia (100- [redacted] (RM)
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1-New York 100-4013 (SWP NATIONAL) (7-3)
1-NY 100-97078 (SWP NY LOCAL) (7-3)
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1-NY 100-109774 (BILL PRICE) (12-12)
1-NY 100-82193 (MURIEL MC AVOY) (7-3)
1-NY 100-9224 (ANNETTE ROBINSTEIN) (12-15)
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AIR MAIL - REGISTERED

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-3-7)

FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-17[illegible])

SUBJECT: COMMUNIST PARTY, USA
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Re Philadelphia airtel to the Bureau 9/10/54 requesting information concerning the itinerary of one SAM MILLER, described as a District Press Director from San Francisco who had been living in Los Angeles and who may be making a tour of the country in behalf of the Communist Party (CP).

This individual is probably identical with SAMUEL MILLER, a tailor who formerly resided at 111 Dudley St., Venice, California. This office has no information concerning MILLER's itinerary. On 7/30/54, [redacted] advised that at a meeting of the Venice Club, Western Section, Southern California District CP, of which MILLER was a member, he announced that he is retiring and moving to New York. He stated he had requested a transfer but was told a transfer could not be issued until he had definitely settled in a community back there. b7D

MILLER has never been more than a rank-and-file member of the CP in this area. There is no information available to indicate he is on a mission for the CP or any other group, and it is highly doubtful that such is the case.

MILLER is described as follows:

Name: SAM MILLER (True name: SCHMUEL MATZEVNIK)
Age: 62
Born: 7/1/1892 at Elizavetgrad, Russia

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2 - Philadelphia (100-1502)(AIR MAIL)(REGISTERED)
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1 - Newark (100-4264)(INFO)(REGISTERED)
1 - Pittsburgh (INFO)(REGISTERED)
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3 - Los Angeles (2 cc to 100-20693 - SAM MILLER)

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Race	Hebrew
Height	5 ft. 6 in.
Weight	150 lbs.
Eyes	Blue
Complexion	Dark
Marital status	Married - wife MINNIE
Citizenship	Naturalized, 5/14/43

MILLER is on the Security Index of the Los Angeles office. His case is being reopened, and a communication will be forwarded in the near future looking toward a change in the office of origin.

OFFICE MEMORANDUM UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-4931)(#7-5) DATE: 10/8/58

FROM : SA [redacted] (#12-13)

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SUBJECT: CP, USA
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Identity of Source [redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past (conceal)

Description of Info Report dated 9/28/58, concerning 39th Anniversary Celebration of CP and Ben Davis Election Rally, held jointly on 9/26/58, at Carnegie Hall, NYC.

Date Received 9/29/58

Received By SA [redacted] (written)

Original Located [redacted]

Utmost care must be used in handling and reporting the following information in order to protect the identity of the informant.

A copy of informant's report follows:

1 - New York [redacted] (INV)(#12-13)
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On Friday, September 26, 1958 at 8 PM I attended a 39th anniversary celebration of the Communist party of the U.S.A. and a Ben Davis Election rally at Carnegie Hall, 57th St. and seventh avenue. The admission was one dollar per person. There were approximately 1700 in the audience.

The first speaker was Bill Albertson. He introduced the communist party movements, mentioned Smith Act victims, Morton Sobell, Little Rock and the Eisenhower, Dulles treatment to the Matsus and Quemoy islands. He then introduced Arnold Johnson as chairman of the Emergency Civil Liberties Committee.

Johnson spoke strictly on Winston & Green. He stated they were the only two Smith Act victims still in prison. He then asked one and all to write to Eisenhower demanding their release and to write to the parole board to parole them for they are eligible for parole.

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1 - New York (100-79025)(MILDRED MC ADORY)(#7-5)
1 - New York (100-91308) [redacted] (#12-15)
1 - New York (100-60640)(HAROLD COLLINS)(#12-12)
1 - New York (100-97854) [redacted]
1 - New York (100-94506)(ESTELLE LISHINSKY)
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Bill Albertson then got up and recommended a resolution to send a telegram to the President demanding the release of Winston & Green. The voting was an unanimous aye. Then he introduced the next speaker as Eugene Dennis.

Eugene Dennis gave a large run down on Red China. He started by using simple Marxian Theory. The problem, the constitution of the problem and the reasoning involved to show why the Imperialistic United States should remove there forces from Red Chinese territories. He also mentioned the recent voting in the U.N. to keep Red China out of the U.N. and Nationalist China in. He stated that the vote margin was better this year and that nothing should allow anyone the right to keep 6 hundred million people from a voice in world politics.

Bill Albertson then got up and instilled the need for a resolution to the President to demand the removal of all U.S. forces from Chinese Waters. They was voted on and another large voicing of "ayes" was heard. Then Bill Alberstson stated that since William Z. Foster could not be present he would be heard via a tape recording.

William Z. Foster mentioned his sorrow at not being able to be there but welcomed all his comrades. He stated the Communist Party was going bigger and better than it ever had before. The realization of setbacks helped them to understand better how they must grow in the future. He also mentioned the brinkmanship of War that Dulles & Eisenhower seemed to be leading the U.S. towards.

After the tape recording Bill Albertson called for money. He mentioned the Communist Party was not allowed to solicit money so they were selling a pamphlet for as much as $50. They collected over $600 in large donations. There was no mentioning of the total amount collected.

After the collection the next speaker was Mildred Mc. Adory who is Ben Davis' chairman of the committee to elect him senator of the 21st district.

He started out by speaking against DeSapio very loudly because of their throwing out of some of the signatures because they were illegible. She then went on to say that___ were going to have a stepped up write in campaign to make sure of Davis being on the ballot. She also stated that they had enlisted some youth into the Communist Party while they were working for Davis' name to appear on the ballot. She spoke very energetically and highly about the Negro people and the Communist Party and the amount of voting power being lost due to non-registration and urged everyone to register so that Ben Davis will get a large number of votes and make a good showing and that the committee was going to go from house to house to make sure everyone registers so that when voting time comes they will succeed in getting not only names on a petition but votes".

The next speaker was Ben Davis. He was announced as the State Chairman of the Communist party and candidate for the New York State Senate in Harlem's 21st District. Ben Davis spoke of the Communist Parties work and of the work of some of the leaders. He then went on by stating the power of the Negro people and of the working class would be a large determining factor in any election anywhere. He also criticized the present situation at Little Rock. He mentioned also the brink of war policy of Dulles and the disliking of the American people of that policy.

The next and last phase of the rally was a narrative of a script written by Phil Bonosky. This was done by he and three others of which one was Harold Collins.

Outside of Carnegie Hall I met [redacted] Estelle Lishinsky and they spoke of a book that they collaborated in putting out. The name of the book is "The tune of the Calliope" Poems & Drawings of N.Y. The publisher is Thos. Yoselloff Inc. The rally was over at about 11 PM.

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To: The Honorable J. Edgar Hoover

Communists are given hideaway apartments (unheated) in nice buildings at low rentals by fellow-travelling real estate agents in the Yorkville area of New York City. We refer to the area bounded by the upper east sixties to the lower east nineties from Lexington to east end avenues.

Some of the real estate agents (with a monopoly on unheated apartment building parcels of real estate) are working hand-in-glove with some of the top international reds - names notoriously connected with top red masterminds. Surrounded by families these red parasites are continually boring from within.

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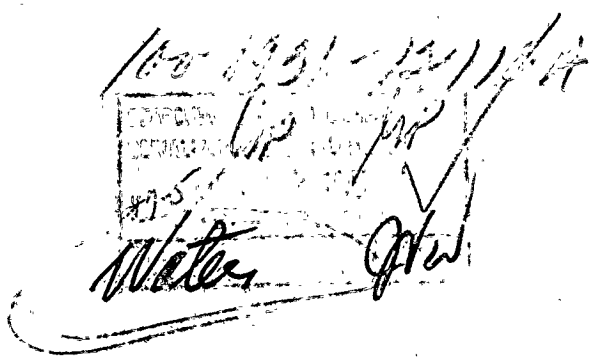

STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, New York

DATE: October 17, 1958

FROM : Director, FBI (100-3)

SUBJECT: COMMUNIST PARTY, USA
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Enclosed is a copy of an anonymous communication postmarked October 13, 1958, at New York which was directed to the home address of the Director.

This is furnished for your information.

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-4931) Date: 10/10/58

FROM : SA [redacted] (7-5)

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SUBJECT: CP, USA
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"The Worker", issue of 10/12/58, announces the following events on pages 14 and 15:

On Tuesday, October 14, 1958, 8:30 p.m., at the Allerton Community Center, 683 Allerton Avenue, Bronx, New York, ARNOLD JOHNSON, Legislative Secretary of the Communist Party, will speak on The 1958 Elections in New York State and the positions of the Communist Party. Auspices - Free Press Committee-admission free.

Reception honoring BENJAMIN J. DAVIS, on Sunday, October 19, 1958, from 5 p.m. to 10 p.m. at the Hotel Theresa, Skyline Ballroom, 7th Avenue and 125th Street, New York, New York, sponsored by the Citizens Committee for the Election of BENJAMIN J. DAVIS.

1-ASAC N.H. MC CABE. Div. IV
1-Supervisor [redacted] (7)
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1-RA Babylon
1-RA Kingston
1-RA Mineola
1-RA Poughkeepsie
1-RA Staten Island
1-RA Suffern
1-RA White Plains
1-NY (97-169-D) (Publishers New Press, Inc.) (7-5)
1-NY (100-16021) (ARNOLD JOHNSON) (7-5)
1-NY (100-106495) (Freedom of the Press) (7-2)
1-NY (100-26603-C-40) (CP, USA, NYD, Bronx County) (12-10)
1-NY (100-23825) (BENJAMIN J. DAVIS) (7-6)
1-NY (100-115575) (People's Rights Party) (7-1)
1-NY (100-107419) (ECLC) (7-1)
1-NY (100-118525) (Bronx Civil Liberties Committee) (7-1)
1-NY (100-16577) (HARVEY O'CONNOR) (7-2)
1-NY (100-7518) (National Council American-Soviet Friendship) (7-1)
1-NY (100-26015) (ROCKWELL KENT) (7-4)
1-NY (100-99065) (FREDERICK L. SCHUMAN)
1-NY (100-25780) [redacted] (7-1)
1-NY (100-4931) (7-5)

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On Friday night, October 31, 1958, HARVEY O'CONNOR, Chairman of the Emergency Civil Liberties Committee, will speak at the Allerton Community Center, 683 Allerton Avenue, Bronx, N.Y.

A Rally for Peace and Friendship, observing 25 years of diplomatic relations between the U.S.A. and the U.S.S.R. will be held on Friday, November 14, 1958, at Carnegie Hall, N.Y.C., sponsored by the National Council of American-Soviet Friendship, 114 East 32nd Street, N.Y.C., telephone MU 3-2080. Speakers listed are ROCKWELL KENT, Prof. FREDERICK L. SCHUMAN, and Dr. CORLISS LAMONT. Admission: One dollar - order tickets in advance.

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TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-4931) DATE: 10/9/58

FROM : SA J. WILMER MIRANDON (12-0)

SUBJECT: CP, USA
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Identity of Source: [redacted] who is in a position to furnish reliable info (conceal)

Description of info: 39th Ann. Rally, CP, USA

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Date Received: 9/30/58

Received by: SA J. WILMER MIRANDON (orally)

Original located: [redacted]

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The above informantion was furnished by the informant on 9/30/58 and authenticated on 9/30/58.

A copy of informant's report follows:

1-New York [redacted] (Inv.) (12-0)
1-New York (100-129629) (WILLIAM ALBERTSON) (7-6)
1-New York (100-8057) (EUGENE DENNIS) (7-5)
1-New York (100-16021) (ARNOLD JOHNSON) (7-5)
1-New York (100-23825) (BEN DAVIS) (7-5)
1-New York (100-) (Dr. CUELLO)
1-New York (100-134982) (FNU WARREN, believed to be GEORGE WARREN)(12-0
1-New York (100-13444) (JOSEPH NORTH) (7-4)
1-New York (100-4931) (7-5)

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Sept. 30, 1958

On 9/26/58 at 8:30 PM a rally was held at Carnegie Hall for the 39th Anniversary of the Communist Party. About 1,500 people were present most of whom were middle aged.

William Albertson was chairman. Speakers were Eugene Dennis, Ben Davis, Arnold Johnson, and a Negro woman about 45, heavy, dressed in dark blue.

They generally condemned the US policy toward China. It was suggested that the U.S. military be taken from Lebanon and Formosa and sent to Little Rock.

A collection was taken for the campaign of Ben Davis.

Among the audience only Dr. Cuello and _____ Warren and Joe North were recognized.

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TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-4931) DATE: 10/17/58

FROM : SA ROBERT C. BURNS (12-0)

SUBJECT: CP, USA
IS-C

9/22/59
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Identity of Source: [redacted] who has furnished b7D both reliable, unreliable info in past (conceal)

Description of info: Independent Socialist Campaign Committee circular re Rally of 10/7/58

Date Received: 10/8/58

Received by: SA ROBERT C. BURNS (orally)

Original located: [redacted]

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[redacted] signed report as [redacted]

Above circular filed in NY 100-135320 - 1891(1).

A copy of informant's report follows:

1-New York [redacted] (Inv.) (12-0)
1-New York (100-135320) (INDEPENDENT SOCIALIST PARTY) (7-3)
1-New York (100-7664) (JOHN T. MC MANUS) (7-1)
1-New York (100-25780) (CORLISS LAMONT) (7-1)
1-New York (100-81142) (JAMES ARONSON) (7-1)
1-New York (100-79299) (MYRA TANNER WEISS) (7-3)
1-New York (100-9224) (ANNETTE T. RUBINSTEIN) (12-15)
1-New York (100-36215) (CPT. HUGH N. MULZAC) (12-13)
1-New York (100-135866) (SCOTT GRAY JR.) (7-3)
1-New York (100-4931) (7-5)

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10-8-58

On Friday 9-26-58 there was a Communist Party 39th Anniversary Celebration at Carnegie Hall, NYC.

On this evening of 9-26-58 outside Carnegie Hall people were distributing circulars. One of these circulars printed on yellow paper was captioned "Independent-Socialist Election Rally!" It was issued by the Independent-Socialist Campaign Committee, 799 Broadway, telephone GRamercy 3-2141.

This circular stated that the rally would be held October 7, 1958, at the Fraternal Clubhouse, 110 West 48th St., NYC. Contribution was listed as $1.00.

Speakers were listed as:

John T. Mc Manus, Candidate for Governor
Corliss Lamont, Candidate for U.S. Senator
James Aronson
Myra Tanner Weiss

The circular stated others present would be the following:

Annette T. Rubinstein for Lieutenant-Governor
Captain Hugh N. Mulzac for Comptroller
Scott Gray, Jr., for Attorney General

The circular also carried the following declarations:

Withdraw U.S. armed forces from Middle East and Far East.

Recognize People's Republic of China.

Stop the Cold War! Halt Nuclear tests!

For Civil Rights. For a 30-hour week.

For peace and Socialism.

OFFICE MEMORANDUM UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-4931)(7-5) DATE: 10/20/58

FROM : SA CHARLES W. CAVANAUGH (12-12)

SUBJECT: CP, USA
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Identity of Source: [redacted] who has furnished reliable info in past (conceal) b6 b7C b7D

Description of info: 39th Aniv. Celebration, CP,USA 9/26/58
Date Received: 9/29/58
Received by: SA CHARLES W. CAVANAUGH (orally)
Original location: [redacted]

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A copy of informant's ~~cpnt~~ report follows:

1- [redacted] (Inv)(12-12)
1- NY 100-8057 (EUGENE DENNIS)(7)
1- NY 100-83825 (BEN DAVIS)(7)
1- NY 100-79025 (MILLIE EDELMAN)(12-15)
1- NY 100-129629 (WILLIAM ALBERTSON)(7-5)
1- NY 100-9360 (WILLIAM Z.FOSTER)(7-5)
1- NY 100-84275 (WILLIAM L.PATTERSON)(12-12)
1- NY 100-96627 (ALONZO GUYTON)(12-12)
1- NY 100-99369 (ALLAN LAWS)(12-12)
1- NY 100-85936 (PEARL LAWS)(12-12)
1- NY 100-81794 (HALOIS ROBINSON)(12-12)
1- NY 100-126206 (PHIL ROBINSON)(12-12)
1- NY 100-135084 [redacted] (12-12)
1- NY 100-107856 (MARY WOODS)(12-12)
1- NY 100-4931 (7-5)

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On 9/26/58 an anniversary celebration was held by the Communist Party at Carnegie Hall, New York City. There were approximately 1500 persons present, with the main floor full and the first balcony almost full. The speakers were Eugene Dennis, Ben Davis, Millie Edelman and the Master of Ceremonies was William Albertson. Speeches consisted of the usual exposition of the Party line on peace, the struggles of the Party and the Davis Political Campaign.

William Z. Foster made a report in absentia which had been taped at his bedside.

Other persons present were the sister of one of the "Trenton 6" and the wife of Willie Mc Gee.

Individuals from Brooklyn who were present were:

William L. Patterson
Alonzo Guyton
Allan Laws
Pearl Laws
Halois and Phil Robinson
[redacted]
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FROM: SA [redacted] (12-12)

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SUBJECT: CP, USA
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Source [redacted]
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Reliability Contact with her has been insufficient to judge the reliability of her information

Date Received 9/29/58

Description of Information 39th Birthday Celebration of the CP, USA at Carnegie Hall, NYC, 9/26/58

Agent to Whom Furnished SA [redacted]

Location of Original [redacted]

[redacted] attended the 39th Anniversary

1-NY [redacted]
1-NY (100-16021) (ARNOLD JOHNSON)
1-NY (100-8057) (EUGENE DENNIS)
1-NY (100-79025) (MILDRED MACADORE)
1-NY (100-23825) (BEN DAVIS)
1-NY (100-9365) (WILLIAM Z. FOSTER)
1-NY (100-63366) (ROSE BARROW)
1-NY (100-84275) (WILLIAM L. PATTERSON)
1-NY (100-102136) (BESSIE MITCHELL)
1-NY (100-111048) (ROSALIE MC GHEE)
1-NY (100-1696) (ELIZABETH FLYNN)
1-NY (100-4931) (CP, USA)

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Celebration of the CP, USA at Carnegie Hall, NYC, on 9/26/58. Her report concerning this meeting is as follows:

"9-28-58

"On Friday, September 26th, there was a meeting held at Carnegie Hall, W. 57 Street, and 7th Avenue. In the street surrounding Carnegie, the police were many and widely spread out. The meeting was scheduled for 8 P.M. but started at 8:40 P.M., probably owing to the thinness of the audience. There were 26 people on the speakers' platform, besides the chairman, Bill Albertson. Of these, five were white women, 3 negro women and 2 negro men. As the seven main characters entered which included Arnold Johnson, Eugene Dennis, Mildred Mackindora, secretary to Ben Davis, and Ben Davis, there was tremendous applause and many were standing in tribute to the 'revered' guests. On the platform, was an elderly gentleman, outstandingly different, who looked like Professor Cole. Is he still in this country?

"The audience consisted of mostly Jewish men and women, many not speaking good English, an occasional negro man or woman, and a few Christian people. These people more or less were of the labor group, in 'come as you are' clothing. The orchestra, or main floor was filled to capacity- there

"was a scattered few in the mezzanine- which must have included a news reporter or two, as flash cameras were being used, especially when Ben Davis was speaking. In one of the daily newspapers, there was a report of the meeting.

"At the beginning of the meeting, a young man using a pitch pipe, asked the audience to stand to sing the National Anthem of the U.S.A.

"Chairman's introductory statements- Our party, the Communist party of the United States has had a glorious history- and includes the workers and Negro people Brotherhood of man and communism started with Thomas Paine and Thomas Jefferson, Elizabeth Early Flynn, Fred Douglas. Work for freedom of James Wilson- Ben Davis- Best of Lincoln- Communists, Eugene Dennis, the Molly McGuires, March 6 demonstrators, Wm. Z. Foster, 1/3 of the whole world's population are communists - (Great applause). Protest against Tammany Hall in Harlem to interfere with Harlem's choice of Ben Davis in office. Peace, full economic help for Negro people. School for freedom.

"Albertson introduced Arnold Johnson, chairman of Civil Liberties in Party- He looks like an American- Johnson's opening remarks-: greetings comrades- communist party has a history of socialism,

"our friends Henry Winston-and Gilbert (Green) should be here tonight with us. The only 2 Smith Act victims in prison- 'None of us should have been in prison a single day'-'America full of frame-ups since earliest days'-Roger Williams kicked out of Massachusetts; Peter Zenger in prisen; tribute to Bill Albertson chairman of meeting; Morton Sobol, Jimmy Wilson, Henry Winston and Gilbert Green- Write to President Eisenhower to grant amnesty to C.C. Burlingame- 1/3 of sentence served - eligible for parole - Write and get others to do the same- Parole Board, Washington, D.C. Make it part of birthday celebration- tribute to two great comrades.

"Chairman took a vote from audience- an 'Aye' vote only to send telegrams to President Eisenhower in name of people to grant amnesty and also a telegram to Parole Board in Wash. D.C. Chairman read cablegrams of greetings from Central Committees of Communism in Argentina, Venezuela, Peru, Columbia, and many letters to American Youth from Nationalist Committee of Cuban Socialist Youth. 'Yankee Imperialism' dominates government of Cuba. Many people, young and adolescent, in Santiago de Cuba- group of young girls and boys murdered- gives gruesome details of manner of death,- dictatorship- Tell all youth organizations of plight - urge expression of solidarity through National Red Cross- U.N. and other International organizations signed Socialist Youth.

"Vote taken- 'Aye' only- telegrams be sent to President Eisenhower and Mr. Dulles- to withdraw all support from Batista and telegram to Cuban Youth that all requests will be granted.

"Next introduced, National Secretary, Communist Party of U.S., Comrade Eugene Dennis- (Rising ovation and tremendous applause) Dennis paid tribute to Comrade Foster, beloved chairman of party- send him on memorable occasion heartfelt wishes for speedy recovery - American patriots and international proletariats examine great threat to World Peace- Dennis: - as an American Marxist- danger of war stems from American imperialism around Rockefeller by Dulles and others. Senator Knowland, bellicose friend of National China, invited National Chinese to step up attacks against Quemoy- invading territorial waters. President Eisenhower declared islands essential to defense of U.S.- Formosa and Islands of Philippines- American officials and Madame Chiang Kai-shek - catastrophic effects of Eisenhower and Dulles- Krushchev warned them. Negro people sent widespread demand to withdraw troops from Middle East and send them to Little Rock- American imperialism suffered defeat in Lebanon. Why is American imperialism against 6 million people of China- All due to 'Brinkism' master of Eisenhower and Dulles- Southern Bourbons flaunting constitution, Soviet Union, and China, and India, and peaceful attitude. Avoid 3rd world war by

"intervention at grass root levels. Attack on China insane, attack would constitute onslaught of lives of American People- Senator Morse said that no American boy should be asked to defend Quemoy- This Dulles 'Brinkmanship' causes all the trouble. U.S.S.R. - all nations East and West of Chiang's mercenaries from off-shore islands and Tai Wan want seating of Red China in U.N. and recognized diplomatically. 6 hundred million friends for United States, 6 hundred million customers for U.S. products. Carl Schurz, close friend of Lincoln, wrote 'My country right or wrong, when right kept right, when wrong put right'- Labor unity of Negro and white- Labor equality of men and women- America needs the communist party and a stronger communist party composed of militant and employed people. We American communists rededicate ourselves on our 39th anniversary. Albertson: Central Communist party of China extends greetings on 39th anniversary- can communism bring no good to American people. Comrades Foster and Dennis - smash imperialism. Send telegrams to President Eisenhower and Dulles to take imperialist hands off China. Introduced next speaker as Comrade Wm Z. Foster- whose speech of greetings were recorded and the recording played- Foster ill for a long time as result of a stroke- performs function as leader of party of U.S.A. Read pages of 'Worker' - his indomitable spirit comes through on special articles on working men and women- Comrade Wm. Z. Foster- chairman emeritus -

"taped recording- man behind curtains played record - recorder not seen- In part a repetition of what other speakers and said- Build a solid trade union movement arousing Negro people to rights, etc., Build a nationalist party of and for the victory of socialism.

"Chairman Albertson: - Struggle for rights of Negroes- and working people - some are charter members, and some are not members of party. Civil rights Congress, The Prison, International Labor Defense - Then mentions some names of the people on the platform; -
Comrade Rose Barrow - first secretary of labor defense.
Comrade Wm. L. Patterson, (negro) Secy of Defense-
Comrade Mrs. Bessie Mitchell- she went to Trenton to help save 'The Trenton Six' - her brother was one of them.
Comrade Mrs. Rosalie McGee-a good looking Negro gal in evening clothes-widow of Willie McGee (case of Willie McGee-efforts to save his life)
Comrade Wm Z. Foster - founder of communist party - so sick -
Comrade Rose Wirtz-Needle Trades- 'Workers' - by James Harder-
Comrade Sadie Amplyn or Emplyn - from Ohio
Comrade Clara Lemley - (some other name- marriage name so much noise couldn't hear it) led shirt waist makers strike many years ago- she's a short, not too bad looking well dressed Jewish woman- with a brazen attitude- communist party worker- socialist

"before-
Comrade James Hobsen Dawson- from California.
Charles Norben- other party-
Work for Ben. J. Davis- that he not be deprived of running for state senate in N.Y.
Conduct struggle to put him on ballot- N.Y.
State to have communist party in election.
Obstacles to remove - carry out these things- opportunity to create 'wherewithal' to do it. Appeal special edition of 'Worker' on campaign (election). To save life of James Wilson- Integrate schools. Albertson mentioned cost of radio broadcasts, television broadcast- etc., and cost for campaigning for election, not allowed to take collection so he sold a small pamphlet 'A People's Programs for Jobs and Security'- (copy enclosed)--asking first for 50 dollar bid or contribution in audience - he held a large manila envelope on stage. There was an usher for every row- There were 50 dollar contributions galore- many 100 dollar ones- $45 from Bronx; $50- Veterans American Lincoln Brigade- 'Buying something- not contributing'- $200-'don't mention the name.' $25- 13th Aseembly District in Manhattan. $100 -Friends in Northern Westchester. $100 anonymous- After exhausting the $100 and $50, then $25 dollar contributions- Albertson called for the $10 contributions - many $10 dollar contributions- then he called for $5- Bessie Mitchell gave her $5- and many others- $10 from 'Group of Workers'- $45 from Youth Section for a Better Hawaii-; then the $1 contributions- here the money poured in- 'Now we'll pick up the change'- cartons were passed along each row-

"Message from India- National Committee of Communist party in India- greetings to Communist party of U.S. on its foundation working under trying conditions has struggled to success- has won admiration of India and Africa- signed something that sounded like Ush Garsh- General Secretary of India-

"During the collection a recess was called- This group was very noisy, talkative, typical Jewish people, in and out of seats wtth no regard for the comfort and welfare of the other fellow- gossiping, visiting around, etc. When they couldn't express themselves in English, they lasped or relapsed into the Yiddish, back and forth, boasting of having been in Paris, and going for another visit to Israel in December till April, as the weather isn't so warm then. Because the chairman was unable to get the group to order- he had to talk above their babble and with the help of the microphone, he continued in spite of them.

"Albertson introduced Mildred Mackindora (Negro) Secretary of Benjamin J. Davis' election campaign committee, in Ha lem, party to 39th Anniversary 21st Senatorial district in Harlem. She opened her speech in usual manner- U.S. seeking bring democracy to Lebanon, and U.S.S.R.- this type of democracy they don't need- not our type- Two party system wants no challenge-

"People's rights party challenged-
John Adams Langer, lawyer, registration officials say signature illegible- over 2,000 names thrown out because not legible. Launch a write-in campaign in Harlem, starting Sunday, September 28, at 10:30 - 306 Lenox Ave, Room 302- Help get 7,000 people to register as Democrat, Liberal, or Republican, signature legible, then teach them to write in Ben Davis' name. They will have a miniature voting machine gadget- 'If the working man can make this machine, if he can teach others how to use the machine to vote for the bourgeoisie, then he can teach the folks in Harlem how to write in the name 'Ben Davis' - During the last campaign recruited members for the party - many youth- youth is most precious to any party -
Albertson:- Ben Davis - believes in old and new members- Chairman N.Y. State Communist Party- candidate 21st district in Harlem- voice of America- introducing Ben J. Davis.
Ben J. Davis:- Congratulations for holding to this party- and voting for this party- Little Rock- bespeaks of the Party's intervention and help in integrating the schools. Treatment of Negroes is a disgrace- brutal oppression of Negro people- Rockefeller domination of the Eisenhower administration- Dwight Eisenhower a great general but as a President and leader he is a great washout- White supremacy, Ku Klux etc- Eisenhower says 'Desegration is too damn fast'- It might be for Mr. Eisenhower- Eisenhower is unfit to be President (applause) Impeachment

"of Eisenhower- Put Faubus and Eastland in jail- let Green and Winston out- We as communists must go about it with zeal. Oct 5 in Wssh. D.C. - Party burnt into consciousness- parted wedded to future- Miraculous achievements of Soviet Union and China- Peaceful transmission to Democracy - Atom maniacs in Washington, D.C. Let's put Dennis and Davis together (whistling and wild applause)

"Final feature - a tableau depicting the beginning and rise of communism in U.S.A. (This was the entertainment part)

"The white woman whose name was partly Lemley kissed Patterson as guests and speakers leave stage for the entertainment-

"Two white men, 1 American Negro man, and a white Jewish girl stood on the platform at lecterns - all lights out- except the spotlight-

White man Negro man. Jewish girl whiteman.

"The recording machine was used - to play the song - 'This Land of Ours'-

"The tableau feature starts with the girl stating 'We are the Communists, the living, and the dead, - etc' each one has a part to say- and the talking and reciting

"is distributed amongst the four - - interspersed with recorded singing- Mention of all big events for the past 39 years- Mention of the Rockefellers, the Morgans, Mc Cormacks, Joe Yorke, Bill McKuy, Joe Dusell, another name, Wm Z. Foster in Pittsburgh, Hoover, MacArthur and Eisenhower as they marched on Washington, The Scottsboro case, the Sobols, the Rosenbergs, etc.
'We shall never die, we shall fight and fight !- ' It was pleasant, when in his last hours, Wm McGee, wrote and called us 'Dear Comrades'- The Play was supposed to have been written around four people- Joe Yorke, Bill Mc Kuy, Joe Dusell, and another name- the writer is not familiar with the case- and the names were mentioned rapidly above the din of noise.

"The meeting ended at 1105 P.M. but many people, tiring at the dullness of the recital left earlier. After the meeting was adjourned and the people were leaving it was announced that Ben Davis was holding an outdoor meeting Saturday, September 27, at 2 P.M. in front of the Hotel Theresa- 137 St. and Amsterdam Avenue.

"The yellow circular enclosed was on each seat when the people entered.

"Almost all of the speakers gave the Communist Party full credit for the turmoil in Little Rock and other southern cities. They also dwelt on the Jimmy Wilson

"theme, for a $1.95 theft- he was to lose his life- Not that permitting people to enter unarmed people's homes, beat them, and steal property, regardless of how small the theft may be, is a breaking down of the mores, the social order, and the law.

"On the street in the lobby of Carnegie Hall, Jewish women were vying with each other to sell tickets- they would not permit people trying to patronize the box office to do so- All of them had a pack of tickets in their purses- They evidently had to buy a block of tickets from the party.

"There was a woman, who appeared to be a Hungarian Jewess, handing out copies of the enclosed pink paper- When questioned as to how the Communists Rally and the Hungarians went together- she replied, 'Why not?' In further conversation she admitted being a communist and didn't see how inconsistent it might seem to a non-communist and an American who had been sympathetic to the Hungatian Revolt against the U.S.S.R. Her only comback was 'Are you attending the meeting- When did you become interested?!"

OFFICE MEMORANDUM UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-4931)(7-5) DATE:10/20/58

FROM : SA [redacted] (12-13)

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SUBJECT: CP, USA
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Reference is made to the memorandum of the writer, dated 10/8/58, setting forth a written report from [redacted] regarding the 39th Anniversary Celebration of the CP, held 9/26/58.

Page 2, Paragraph 2 of referenced memorandum identifies ARNOLD JOHNSON as"... chairman of the Emergency Civil Liberties Committee'. Informant was apparently referring to JOHNSON's position as chairman of the Civil Liberties Committee of the CP, rather than that of a separate organization.

Accordingly, this correction is being disseminated to all files containing referenced memorandum.

1- [redacted] (Inv)(12-13)
1- NY 100-23825 (BEN DAVIS)(7-5)
1- NY 100-129629 (WILLIAM ALBERTSON)(7-6)
1- NY 100-107111 (National Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell)(7-1)
1- NY 100-16021 (ARNOLD JOHNSON)(7-5)
1- NY 100-107419 (Emergency Civil Liberties Committee)(7-1)
1- NY 100-269 (HENRY WINSTON)(7-5)
1- NY 100-13472 (GILBERT GREEN)(7-2)
1- NY 100-8057 (EUGENE DENNIS)(7-5)
1- NY 100-9360 (WILLIAM Z. FOSTER)(7-5)
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Re Paris letter 7/16/58.

WILLIAM E. B. DUBOIS, former head of the Communist front Peace Center in New York, according [redacted] b3 arrived in this city on 9/12/58. The preceding day he had reportedly delivered a speech in Amsterdam which was highly critical of the United States.

Since, as reflected by London letter of 9/22/58 (Bufile 100-370965), leaders of the CP, USA appear interested in utilizing DU BOIS, the Paris office will endeavor to arrange discreet coverage of his activities through established French sources upon receipt of identifying data from the Bureau as requested by Paris letter to Director 9/25/58 entitled "WILLIAM E. B. DU BOIS, INTERNAL SECURITY - C." When making the request to appropriate French sources for coverage of DU BOIS, none of the material in London relet will be utilized in view of the sensitive nature of the source.

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